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Instructing Britain's Bombers



These pictures were taken at the Air Observers School of the R.A.F. and show how Britain's airmen are trained in the art of bombing. View No. 1, at extreme top left, shows a class with its instructor during a lecture on a 250 lb. bomb. A glimpse into the dark room is given in View No. 2, at extreme top right, where a cinema picture of the moving ground is projected from the roof to the floor below. The bomber (at right) is setting his sights on the moving picture, while behind him is the supposed pilot, and on the left is the Sergeant Instructor. In the third view, at lower left, a bomber and his pilot are being shown the results of a bombing practice marked on the Analysis Chart in the plotting Office. While at lower right is shown the bombs being placed in the bomb racks in preparation for a high altitude bombing practice. (British Official Photograph).



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The Hong Kong Students' Relief Association held its annual charity bazaar at St. Paul's Boys' College, commencing on February 9, and ending last Sunday. Various side-shows kept the large crowds amused, and above is a view of one of the stalls.



No Fair is complete without its games of luck, and with two good-looking girls in charge of the stall, its popularity is assured. Another glimpse of the "doings" at last week's charity fair in aid of war relief in China.

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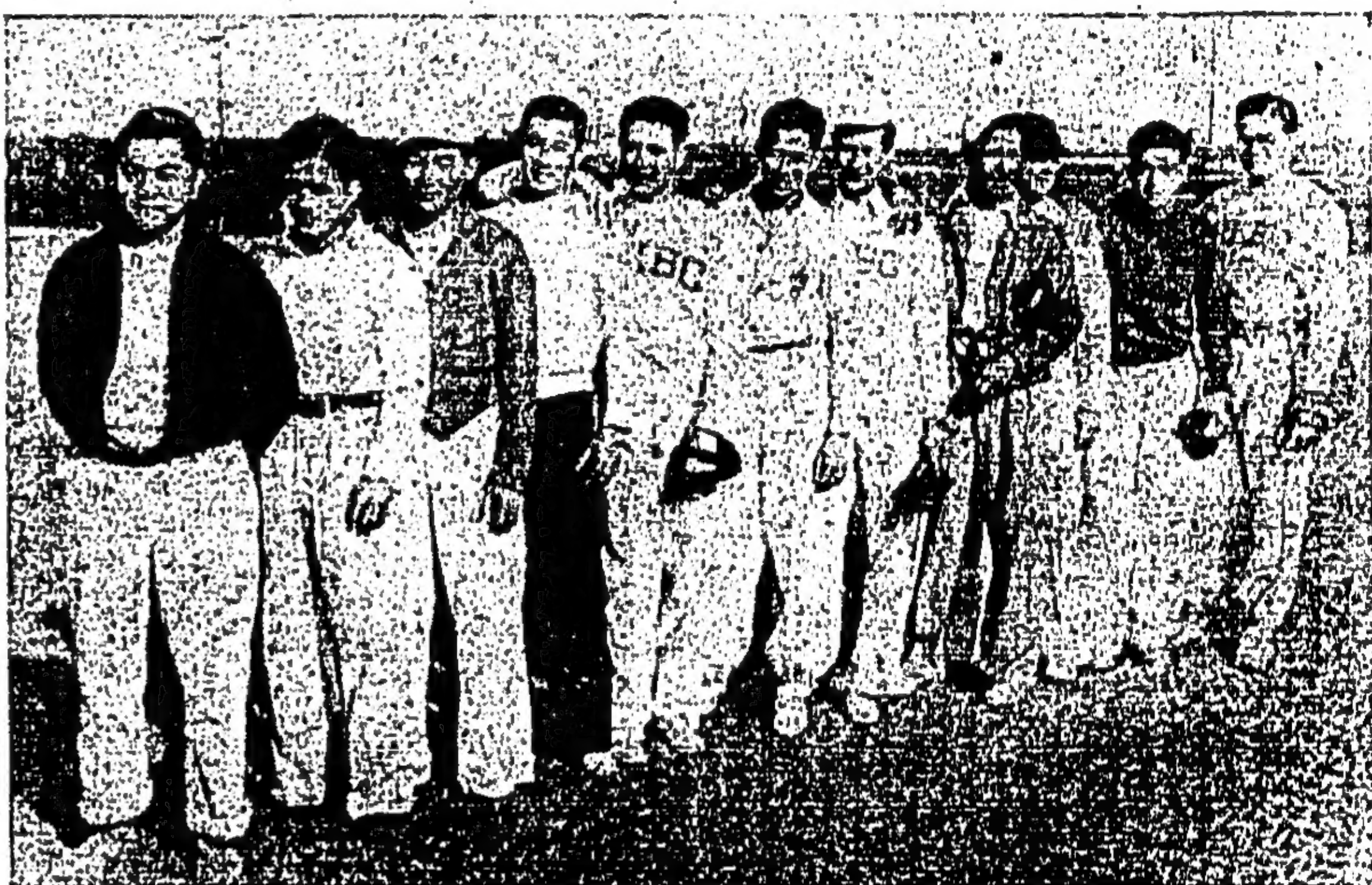
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Softball Personalities And A Charity Fun Fair



A line-up of the Portugal team, who beat the "Rest" in the week-end softball matches played on Hong Kong Football ground to benefit the British War Organisation Fund. They are Messrs. Pereira, Ozorio, Alves, Souza, Z. Gosano, E. Gosano, Mendonca, Beltrao, Fonseca, Marques, G. Gosano, and Alveres. (Staff Photographer).



The Colony's picked softball players who made up the "Rest" in an encounter with "Portugal" are shown above. They include the Messrs. Duffy Nip Lum, Woolly Ching, Wing-Lee, S. Leonard, Quon, Ali, Wong, Crary, T. Leonard, Waggoner and Chinn. (Staff Photographer).



Shown above are the "Chinese Cuties" who defeated the "Rest" 20-6 in the week-end softball matches to benefit the British War Organisation Fund. They are the Misses Mabel Louie, Mary Mar, Doris Mar, Lily Mar, May Chung, Ella Chinn, Dot Louie, Gloria Mar, Paula Chan, Ullian Khoo and Mary Louie. (Staff Photographer).



The "Rest" who lost to the "Chinese Cuties" are seen above. They include players from Recrelo, Wahoo, Pirates and H.K.B.C., and are the Misses Margaret Oliveira, Thelma Colacao, Theresa Noronha, J. Anderson, Irene Pereira, M. Read, C. Motta, Lena Luongo, I. Castilho, I. Stone, T. Motta, C. Marques and Yvonne Yello. (Staff Photographer).

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Ely Culbertson

"DEAR Mr. Culbertson: Recently you published a letter in your column from a grateful correspondent who told how he had saved the day by making a play that you had written about the week before. This must have been a gratifying experience for a teacher. Here is another side of the picture, which illustrates, if anything, Alexander Pope's couplet:

"A little learning is a dangerous thing;

Drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring."

"All of which is prompted by an adventure in duplicate. North was a woman who had evidently been sipping lightly from said spring. I sat East.

"West, dealer.

"East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

S-Q J 10 8 3 2

H-A K 2

D-A Q 10 4

C-None

WEST

S-A K 7 6

H-Q 10 7

D-K 7 6

C-Q 9 6

EAST

S-5

H-4 3

D-J 8 3 2

C-J 10 8 7 4 3

SOUTH

S-9 4

H-J 9 8 6 5

D-9 5

C-A K 5 2

"The bidding was:

"West: One spade.

"North: Pass. [Here is my chance to use one of those 'trap passes' I've been reading about.]

"East: Pass. [I'm afraid anything I say will be used against me.]

"South: Pass. [Guess we're lucky our opponents didn't get to game. We ought to get a top on this one.]

"But South was wrong. We went down four and got a clear top on the board, since every other North-South pair got to game and made it,

which, with the game bonus, far submerged our opponents' 400.

"If you should publish this letter, please use only my initials, otherwise North, who has given up trapping, may take up shooting.

"W.R., Buffalo."

North's trapping ambition in this hand was a shade optimistic. As I have frequently pointed out, there are times when a player holds too much to justify the hope that the opponents will go on and hang themselves. North's spade holding alone made it inconceivable that East would be able to raise spades and, as for any other "hold open action" on East's part, North's strength in hearts and diamonds made this almost equally doubtful.

The fact is, that for trapping to be successful the trapper must not carry too big a gun. In this case North would have been much better advised to have entered the bidding immediately with a double. Technically, of course, this double would be for a take-out and there would be no chance that South would be able to leave it in. But at least North would have taken the first step toward reaching a game of his own. After such a double South would have the values for a jump to three hearts and, although this might possibly encourage North to the point of trying for a slam, he should avoid that danger by bidding three spades. Then, with South's next bid four clubs, North would see the great "duplication of values" and would be satisfied with a mere four hearts, which, of course, would be a lay-down.

But although I disapprove of North's trapping action with this particular power house, I must point out that it should not have been fatal. South should not have dreamed of letting the vulnerable opponents play one spade. Far from feel-



TOMMIES BATH IN MILK TUBS

The old idea of Milady bathing in milk to retain that beautiful skin is brought to mind by this picture. These Tommies stationed at a milk depot, find the 500 gallon tubs, normally used for converting surplus milk to powders, ideal for bath night. (Copyright, Fox).

CLASSROOM CLASSICS

Solomon had three hundred wives and seven hundred mid-wives, or columbines.

What are six animals peculiar to the arctic regions? Five seals and a polar bear.

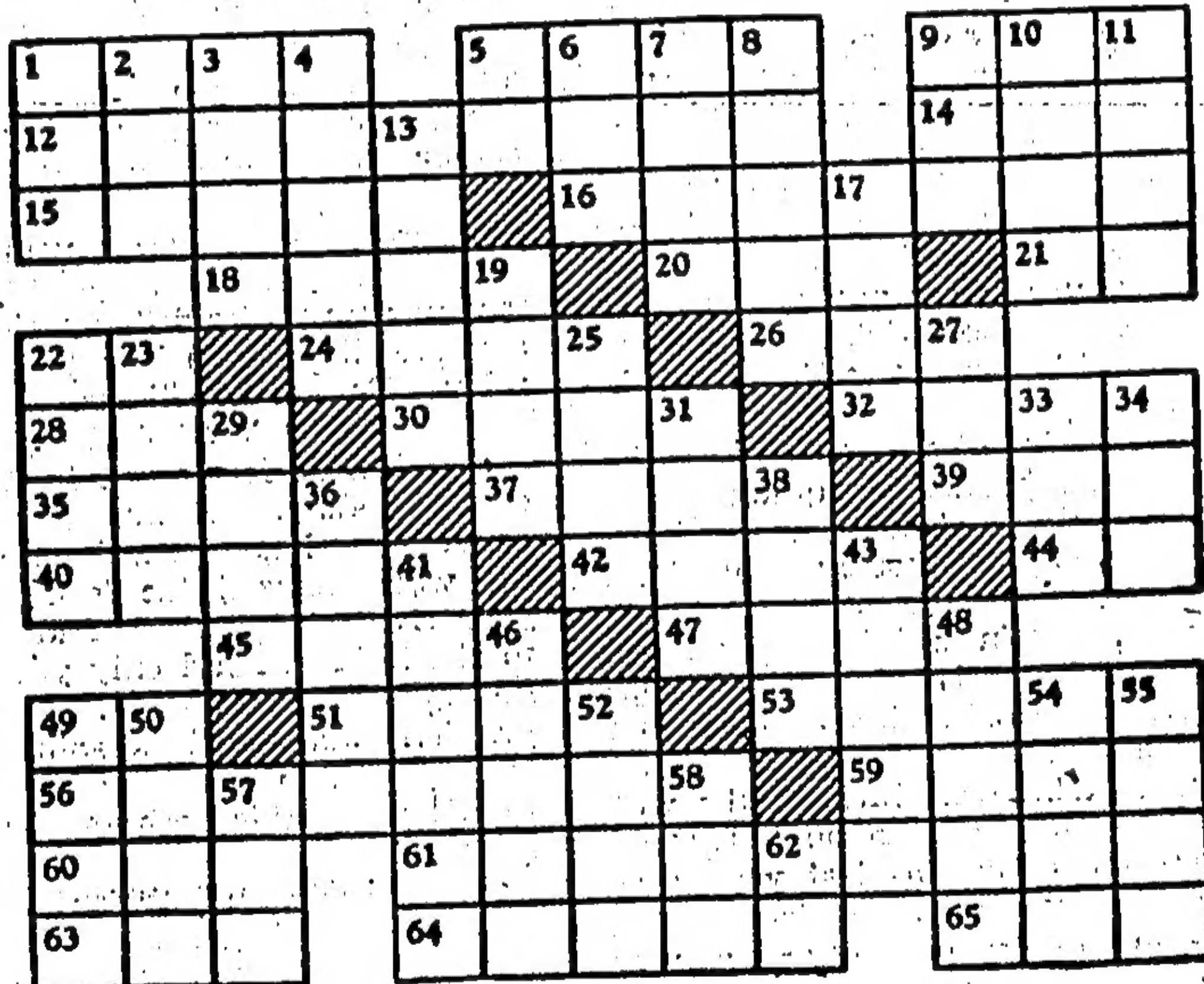
Vesuvius is a volcano. You can see the creator smoking there day and night.

The cuckoo lays other birds' eggs in its own nest and viva voce.

The sacred chickens of ancient Rome were the Vestal Virgins.

Transparent means something you can see through, like a keyhole.

SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



HORIZONTAL

- 1 To warm
- 5 Things accomplished
- 9 Obtained
- 12 Trip
- 14 Humming-bird
- 15 European blackbird
- 16 Visionary
- 18 Dash
- 20 Finish
- 21 Prefix: again
- 22 Article
- 24 To issue
- 26 To lean
- 28 Encore!
- 30 To hinder
- 32 Wind instrument
- 35 Excited
- 37 Drink
- 39 Trap
- 40 Fragment
- 42 To transmit
- 44 Per
- 45 Verse
- 47 Carnelian
- 49 Mixed type
- 51 Gem
- 53 Mountain lakes

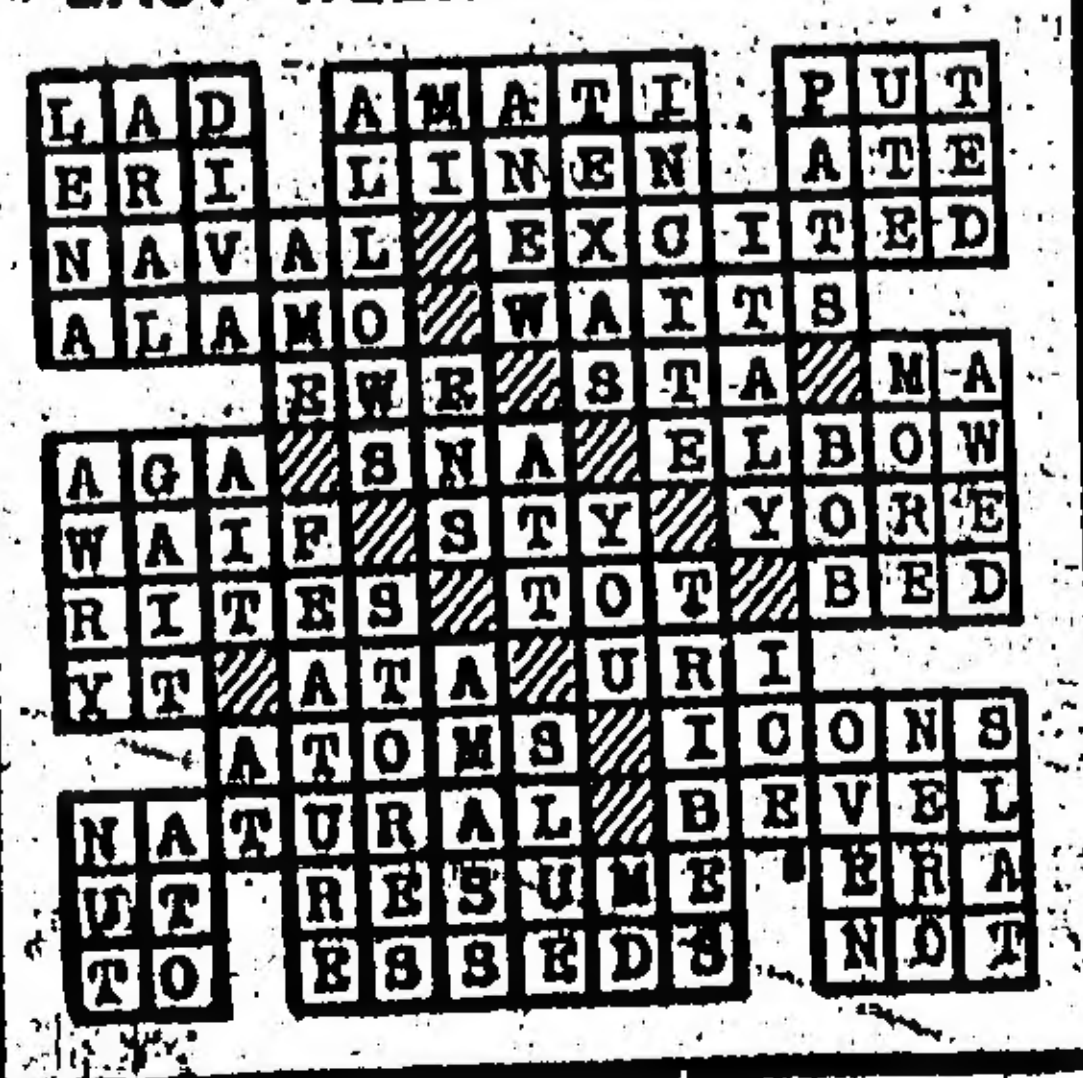
VERTICAL

- 1 Border
- 2 English river
- 3 Land measure
- 4 Fabric
- 5 Since
- 6 Spanish hero
- 7 Ripped
- 8 Concerning

VERTICAL

- 9 School of whales
- 10 More than
- 11 Biblical weed
- 13 Tapers
- 17 Mine entrance
- 19 Insect eggs
- 22 Sleeveless garments
- 23 Almost
- 25 Pulls
- 27 Colloquial: prizefighter
- 29 Washing implement
- 31 Pastries
- 33 Napkin
- 34 Some
- 36 To prepare
- 38 Insect
- 41 To retire
- 43 Curtain
- 46 Latin: mother
- 48 Imbibed
- 49 Ago
- 50 Arrow poison
- 52 Tribe of Israel
- 54 Exacting
- 55 To arrange threads
- 57 Anger
- 58 To place
- 62 Concerning

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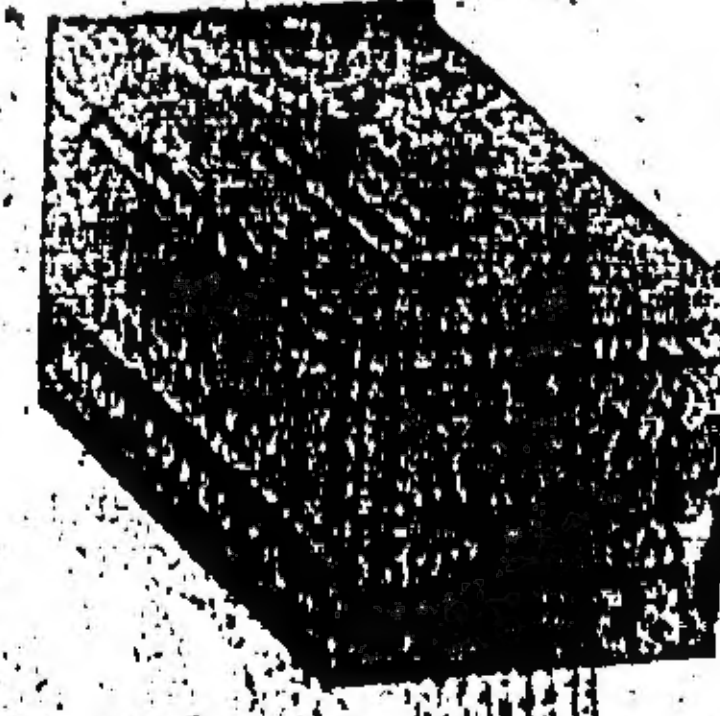
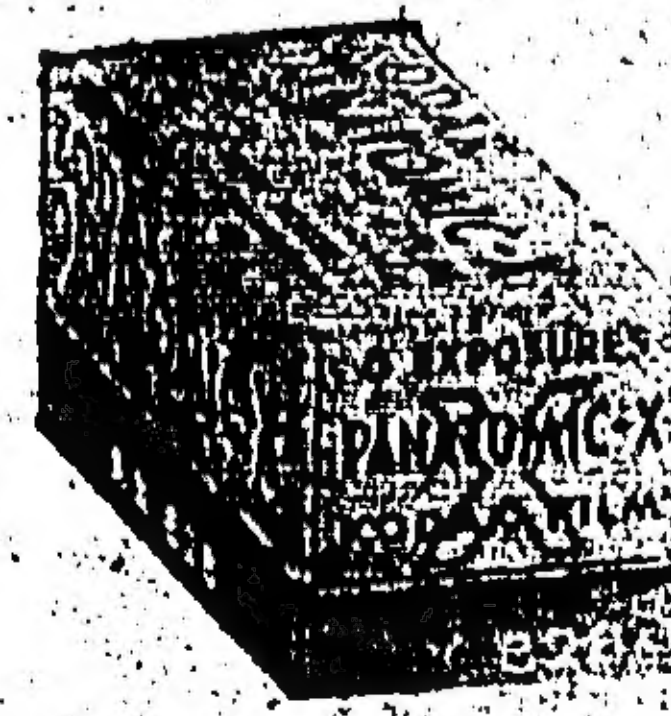
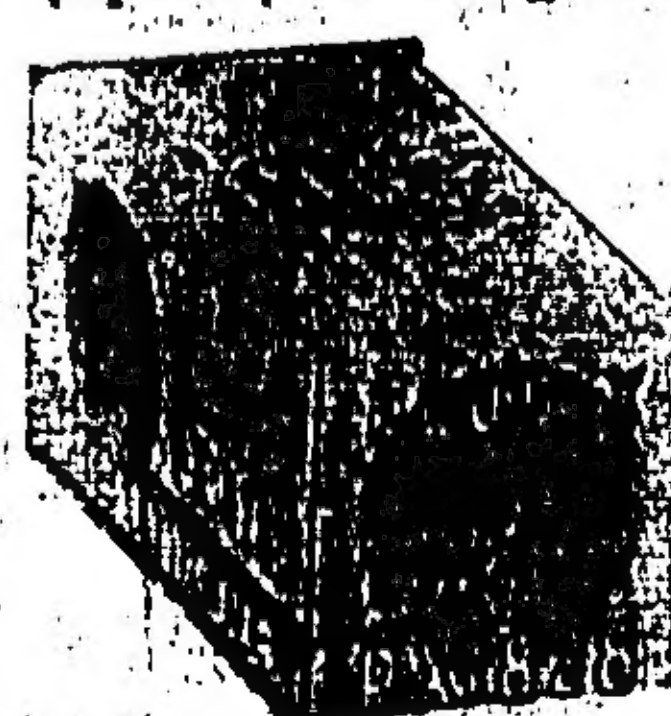
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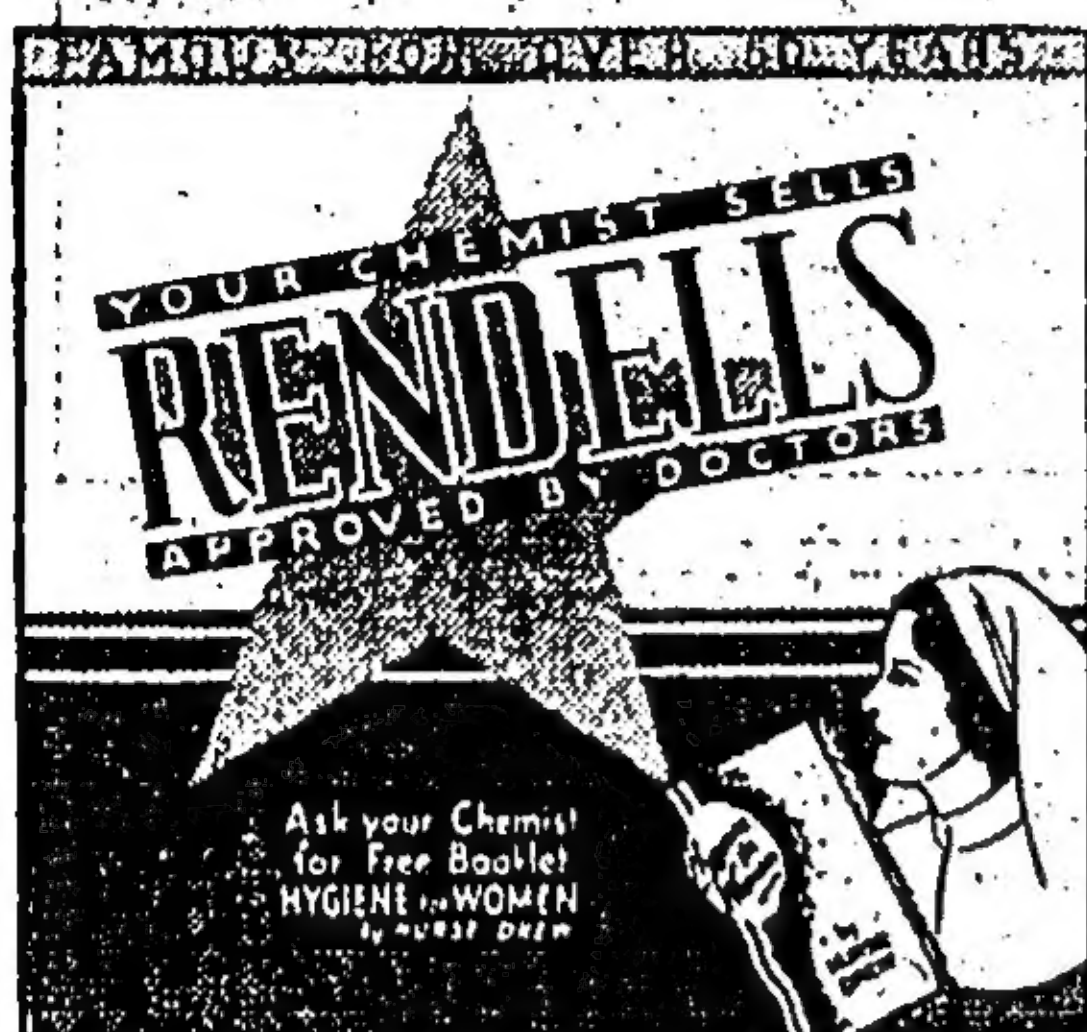
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THERE is a glamorous new style in fresh flower arrangements that is bound to double your romantic allure at very special parties!

It doesn't make a bit of difference whether you wear a bustle hairdo, pompadour curls, or a long Hollywood bob, you can find a floral headdress for evening which dramatizes the effect for which you strive.

HOW TO WEAR THEM

Flowers pinned very high, or worn in a pixie-peak on the forehead will slim a round face becomingly. A bowknot of fresh flowers is an exotic way to emphasise the beauty of curls that are worn in the topknot style that's so becoming to full faces. Lillies-of-the-valley and sweetheart roses are easy to arrange in this manner.

If your face is triangular shape, you might try a rounded halo of fragrant blossoms to soften your face contours. You know, across your head, from ear to ear.

A snood of fresh flowers is a charming new fashion which is actually a beau-catching device practiced by our grandmothers! If you wish you may pin fresh, small blossoms on a silver or gold snood, scattered becomingly.

Grecian arrangements of flower petals and leaves are effective if your favourite party coiffure is a Grecian roll.

Round faces, and very young ones, win the hearts of the stag line with a topknot bonnet of gardenias, or lilies, which ties coquettishly under your chin. But you wouldn't wear one if you were entering a swing contest! Such a bonnet is for the demure.

If yours is a swirled hairdo, you'll qualify as a reigning belle if you flaunt one of the new headdresses of orchids with back streamers of flower petals! (This is if orchids are your type.)

For sub-deb there is a Juliet cap of fragrant sweetpeas for the first formal party, and to add more fascination wear a ring of the same blossoms!



This headdress of fresh gardenias with streamers of silver leaves spells glamour-plus.

Slim Waist And Mould Hips

A pretty tough order for some of us, but where there is a will, there is a way. These exercises should help you.

ALL of us want to be stylish yet comfortable and about the only way we can be both to-day is to attain a figure whose natural lines are nipped in at the waist, softly curved over the hips and attractively full in the bosom!

Thousands of women are flocking to the salons for quick figure re-fashioning. Those who have dieted too strenuously and find themselves flat front and back, want to regain weight and curves. Those who relied on the styles staying as comfortably as they had for the past four years want to slim down to trimness. Most of the women do not want to be harnessed into corsets (just as last year they objected to the high hair-dos!) so they are taking the hardest way to figure perfection. They have determined to exercise!

WAIST MOST IMPORTANT

Inches off one's waist seems to be the most important figure problem. And this cheers beauty editors. Why? Because if a woman exercises to slim her midriff she is at the same time exercising to make all of her more beautiful. Age begins to tell with the thickened waist. Illness begins with the appearance of rubber tires! So my dears if you concentrate on the waist it is all right by me! In fact I'll encourage you by

giving you these movements to work with!

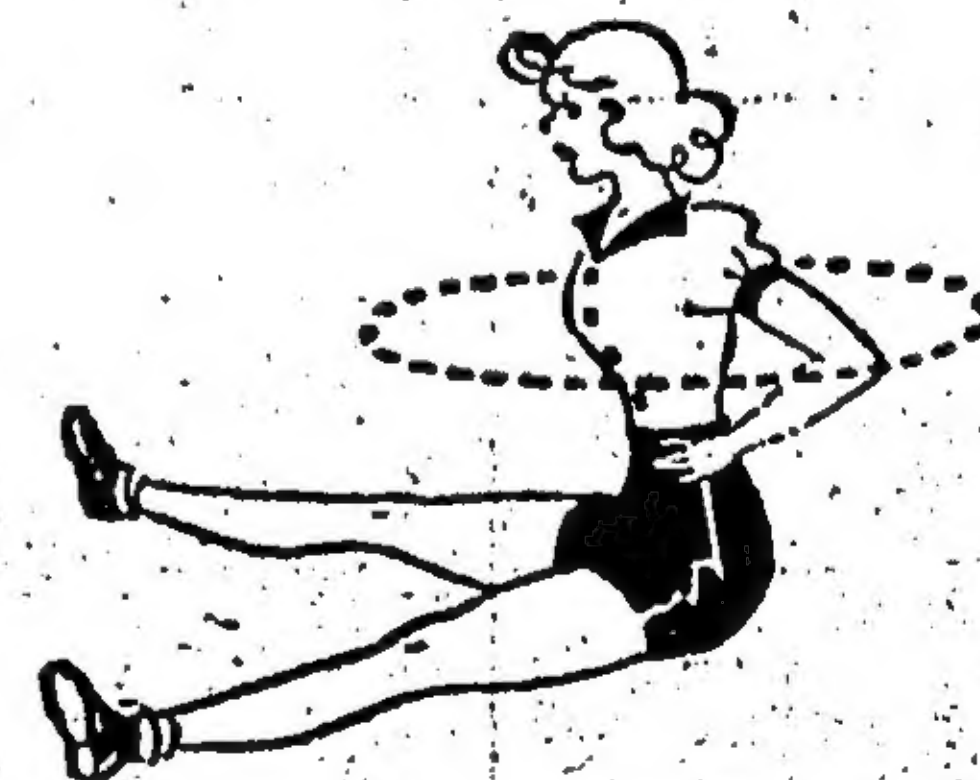
START LYING DOWN

Lie on your back and stretch all you can. Stretch and yawn. Now bend your knees and bring them up toward your chest as far as you can. Then clasp your hands together just below your knees and pull them slowly up until you feel a pulling. Then unclasp your hands and throw your feet up in the air, toes pointing. Hold this position for a while, then drop legs to bed and relax. Repeat five times.

UP YOU GET

Stand with feet apart in front of open window. Stretch arms high above your head. Bend body from the waist toward the left, pushing your right side muscles and hip out to right. You bend only your right knee. Don't twist body. Return to position and still keeping arms stretched high bend to the right. Continue in this fashion for three minutes.

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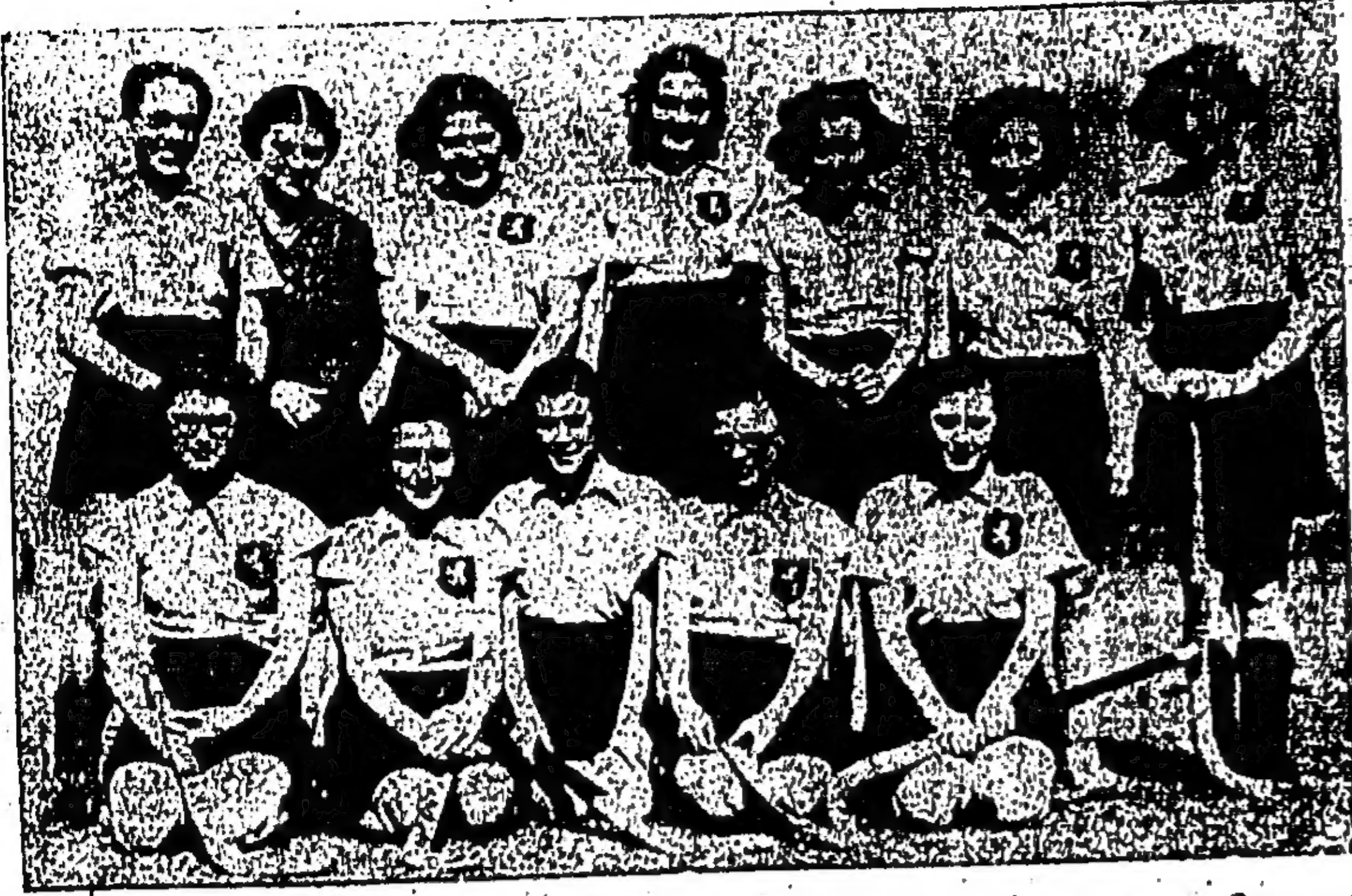
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HOCKEY SEVEN-A-SIDE

The popular ladies' hockey sevens tournament was held at Central British School last Saturday in brilliant weather to provide a most interesting afternoon's entertainment. Central British Association was the most successful club, winning the Pearce Cup for senior teams, and being runners-up in the Knill Cup for Junior Teams.



The Central British Association teams—winners of the Pearce Cup and runners-up for the Knill Cup.



"Y" Ladies met with scant success in the Knill Cup but put up a great battle against C.B.A. in the final of the Pearce Cup.



Recrelo did not have a good afternoon, failing to survive one round in the Pearce Cup and going out in the semi-final of the Knill Cup.



Hong Kong Ladies only entered for the Pearce Cup and were beaten in their first match.



Central British School were the "giant-killers." They knocked out the Pearce Cup holders, St. Andrew's, in the first round, but were themselves beaten subsequently by the eventual winners.



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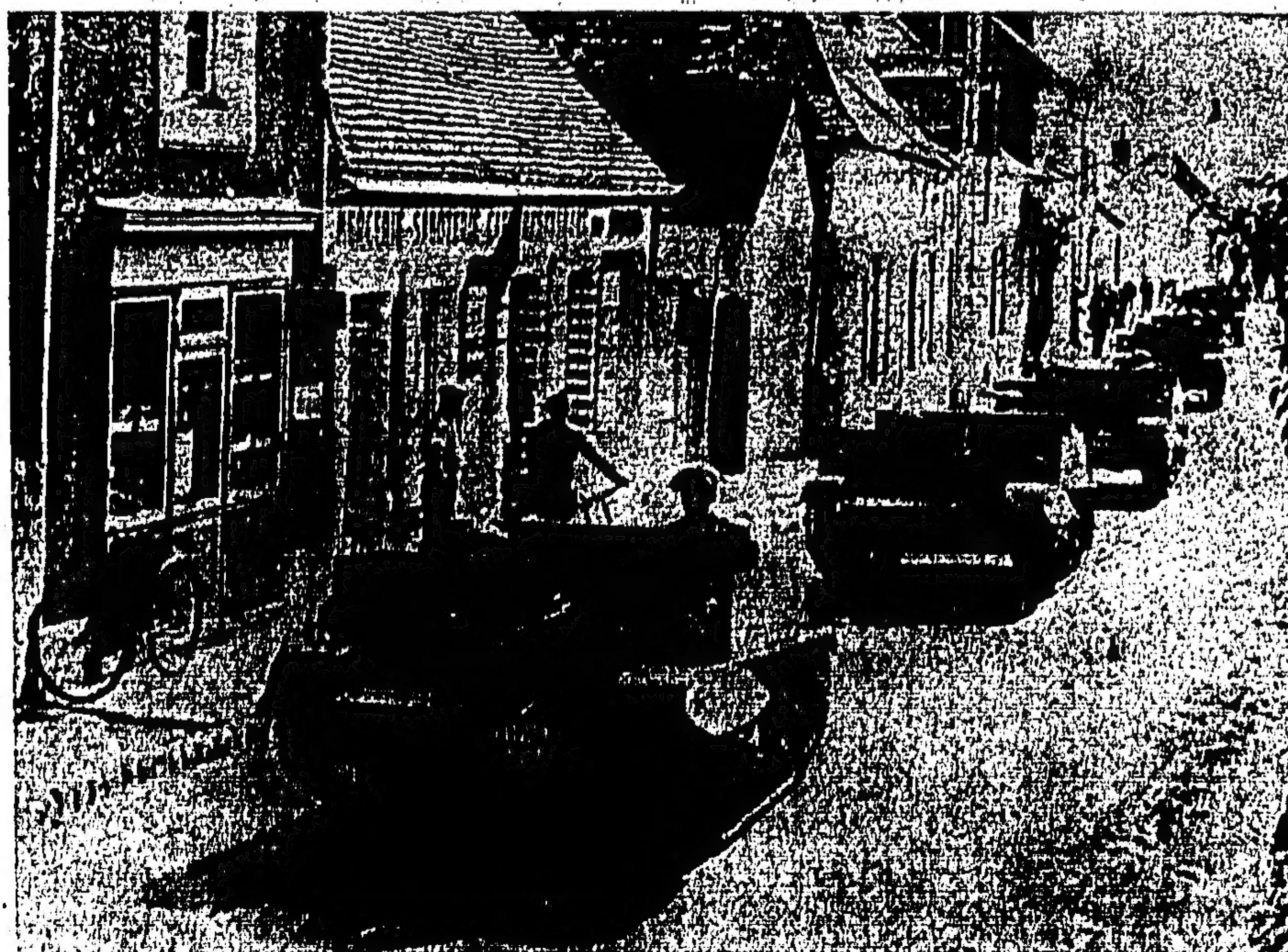
IN THE FR AND EL



British nurses and airmen arrive in France immediately after their arrival.



These British troops, trudging through the snow are moving up to their stations.



In the above-view Bren carriers are shown on the move, in a small village somewhere in France. (British Official Photograph).

ONT LINES EWHERE



photograph shows them disembarking im-
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the bitterest winters Europe has ever known,
e Front. (Havas).



phy which will afford much valuable information to the Allies — a big German
— is seen being towed through the streets of a French town. (British Official
Photograph).

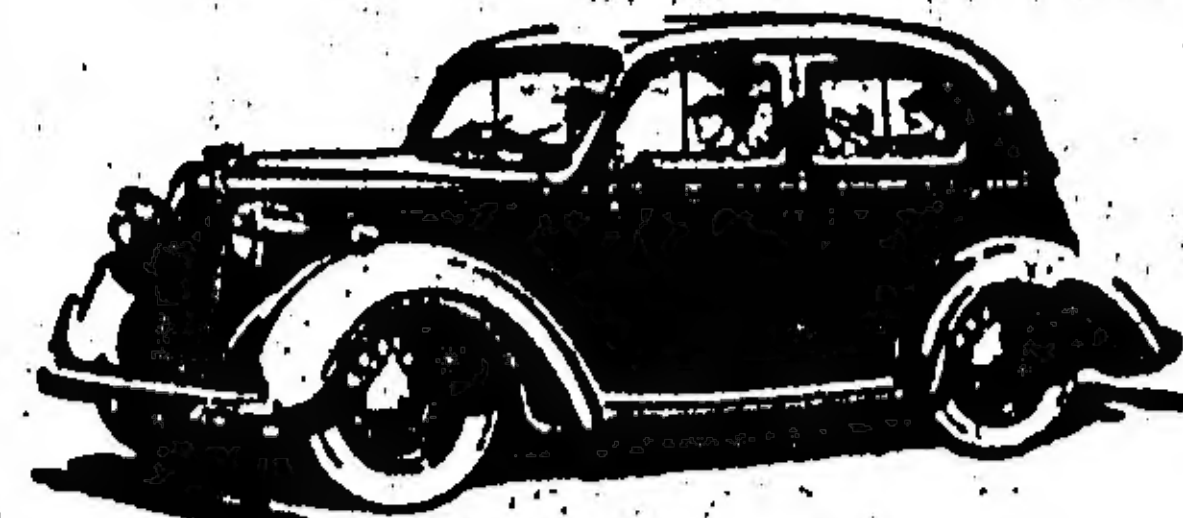


Air-Marshal A. S. Barratt is to be Air Officer Commander-in-Chief of
a new R.A.F. Command, British Air Forces in France, creation of which
has been announced by the War Cabinet. His task will be to ensure
the most effective support by the British Air Forces for the B.E.F. and
the French Armies on the Western Front. Above is a recent picture
of the Air-Marshal. (British Official Photograph).



The whole Empire is rallying to
the cause of the Mother Country.
This picture, just received from
Canada, shows pilots in training
to carry out their part of the Em-
pire training plan. Many of them
are bush fliers of long experience,
and will serve as instructors to
train men from all parts of the
Empire. A group of fledglings at-
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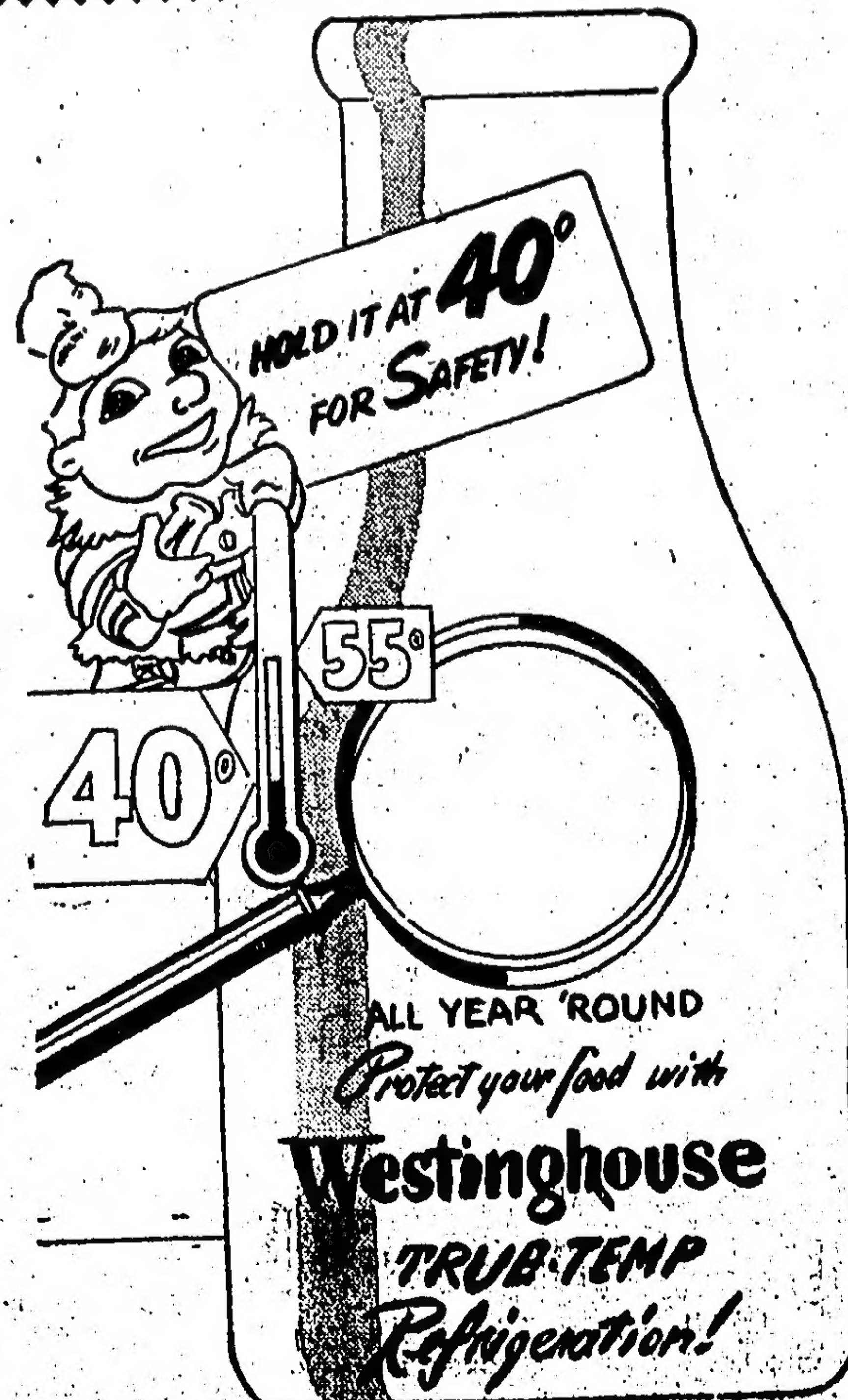
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Shanghai Letter

Shanghai's Commissioner of Customs rated "most popular man" — Hong Kong sportsmen feted at Country Club — Shotter-Stead make popular wedding couple.

Shanghai, February 5.
If rain is generally credited with keeping the "crowds" away, snow does not seem to have the same effect, at least not on Shanghai's "upper four hundred", judging by the huge attendance at the Grande Soiree in aid of the St. Tichon's Orphanage which took place at the Arcadia on Friday. The number of reservations received was so great that tables had to be placed on the stage in order to accommodate everyone.

I may add that Shanghai had the worst snow-fall in living memory on Friday and that at the time of writing, slush is still playing havoc with down-town traffic, particularly at night when Nanking Road resembles a skating rink more than Shanghai's best-known thoroughfare. If the crowds turned out on Friday the way they did, there was a good reason for it, because St. Tichon's Orphanage is caring for 100 destitute foreign children and depends upon individual contributions to carry on in this most praiseworthy work.

In recalling the Soiree, I have great difficulty in making up my mind as to just what was the most successful part of the proceedings. Having given the matter great thought, I think that I am concurring with the majority of those who attended when I say that the little suckling pig and the young goose who walked across the floor not in the least bashful, gave the essential initial spark to the merriment which was to prevail throughout the whole evening and well into the early hours of the morning. Indeed, the committee in charge of the affair,

seems to have worked hard on finding new ways and means of extracting money from Shanghaianders without "hurting." Outstanding in this connection, was the election of "the most popular man". While unusually charming and very popular in Shanghai's social circles, Sir Frederick Maze, Commissioner of the Chinese Maritime Customs, who won the event by an overwhelming count, must have injured the pride of quite a number of men from among the younger set who thought that they were just about as popular as their charming lady partners led them to believe.

Miss Joan Holwill, Shanghai's Interport Hockey player who is also well-known in Hong Kong, was voted the most popular young lady, although, unlike Sir Frederick, she had a close competitor in Miss Joan Hodges. It may thus be truthfully said that the "Joans" carried away the honours of the day. The orphanage, meanwhile, was able to announce the following day that \$7,000 had been collected which is a good start towards reaching the aim of the annual campaign for \$30,000 which is getting under way to-day.

AUDACIOUS THEFT

It is rare that newspapermen get into the news, but it did happen last week when Mr. A. P. Finch, news-editor of the "North-China Daily News" and Shanghai correspondent for the "Daily Telegraph", discovered on coming home one night that an old typewriter was missing. It had been fetched during the day by someone who claimed that he had been sent by Mr. Finch. Great was the journalist's surprise yesterday



POPULAR SHANGHAI WEDDING

Pictured here are Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Shotter as they left the Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, after their wedding on February 3. The groom is very popular in Shanghai, and the bride's father came from Bombay by plane to be present at the ceremony.

morning, when in the mail he found an envelope in which the pawn-ticket for his typewriter was enclosed. What struck him most, was the fact that "uncle" had valued the ancient machine at \$200 and had paid this out to the thief, whereas it had been bought for much less many years ago.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Mr. George Paraschivesco, Rumanian Minister in Tokyo, passed through Shanghai last week and was widely entertained by the Rumanian community here, which is not only small, but has neither an Ambassador nor a Consul.

Baron Guy Fain, Counsellor at the French Embassy at Tokyo passed through Shanghai last week, accompanied by his wife. In view of the war, however, when neither ship movements nor transfers of personnel are made public, it has been impossible to ascertain where he is off to. The baron is well-known in Shanghai and counts many friends here. The only difficulty he encountered was to be present at all the functions held in his honour, which ranged from simple cocktail affairs to elaborate dinner entertainments.

COMING EVENTS

The Friends of Finland are holding an affair at the Cercle Sportif Fancals on Friday to augment the donations received in aid of the Finnish Red Cross. Elaborate preparations are under way and success is assured. On the same evening, the annual Interport Dinner will take place at the Country Club, when Hong Kong players will be entertained.

A dinner is also planned for the Colony's soccer players the following

day and Hong Kong sportsmen will once again, I feel sure, leave these shores with nothing but praise for the proverbial hospitality for which Shanghai is known.

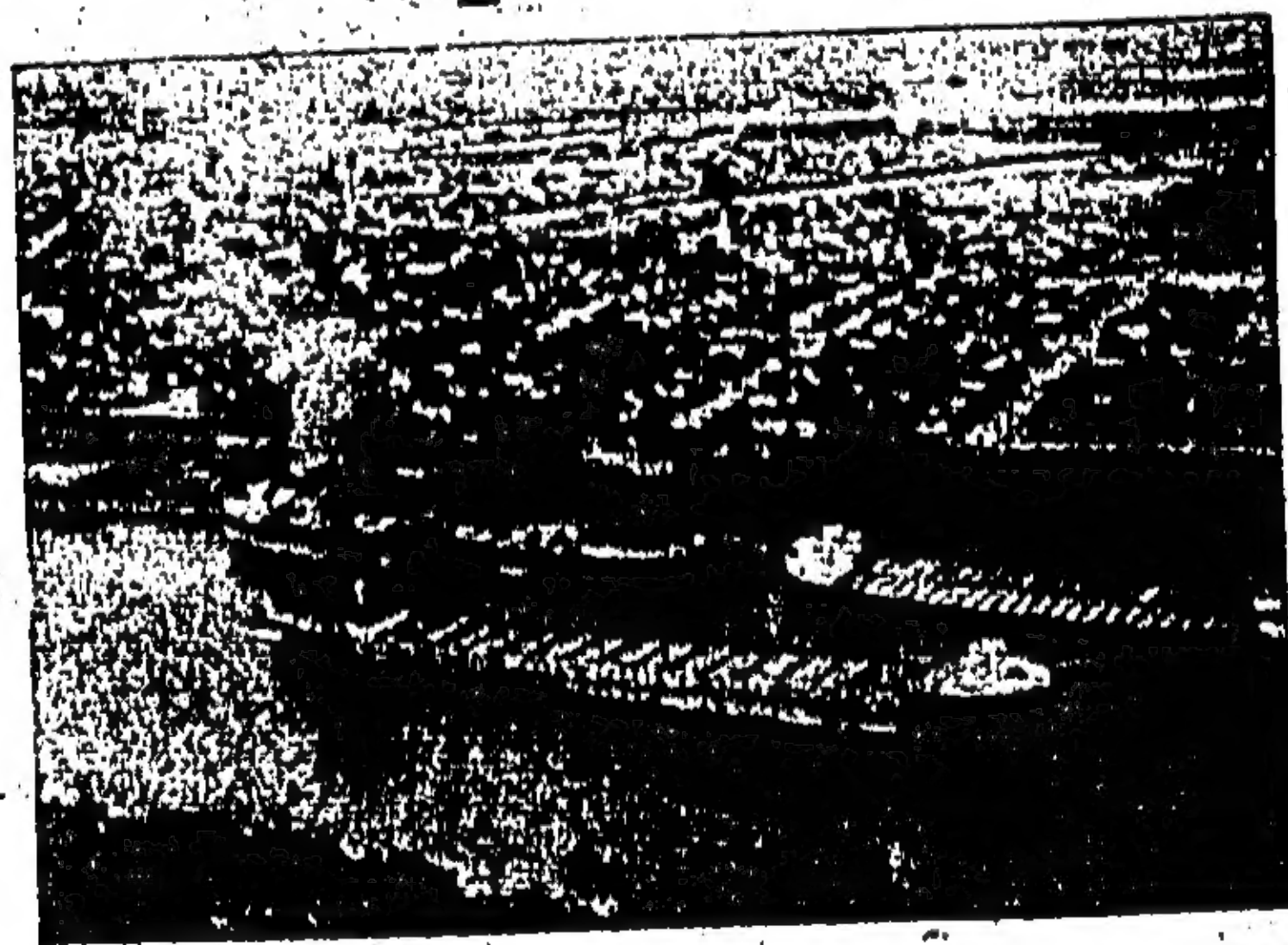
Among the more formal affairs which are to be held over the Chinese New Year holidays, is a cocktail party at the Cathay Mansions on Thursday at which Signor Fabrizio Maria Apolloni, popular Press Attache of the Italian Embassy, will be the host.

Shanghai may be part of neutral China but the British and French communities here are fully aware of the fact that their respective countries are at war. It is, therefore, only natural that all social functions—or nearly all anyway—centre around charity or are for the purpose of raising funds in connection with a national movement. For this reason also, the French community is holding a ball at the Cercle Sportif Fancals on February 29, in aid of the Comfort Fund of Mobilized "Poilus" at the front. Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, H.M. Ambassador, M. Henry Cosme, French Ambassador and M. Stanislas de Rosset, Polish Charge d'Affaires, will be the patrons.

Brig.-General E. B. Macnaghten has been elected President, and Mr. H. M. Hind, has been elected Vice-President of the South African War Veterans Society. At the annual meeting held last week, it was also decided to hold the annual ball as usual this year. The affair is scheduled to take place at the Masonic Hall on February 28, this being the

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Day after day in the British Lines somewhere in France the troops continue to "dig in" and here, after heavy rain, a detachment of soldiers are seen pumping out the water from the trenches they are building. (British Official Photograph).



Our R.A.F. pilots have been doing sterling work in defence and attack during the war, and they are a credit to their training. This photograph shows some of Britain's fine young men who are training to be pilots. They are seen leaving the field after a practice flight. (Copyright, Fox).

IN THE FR AND EL



British nurses and airmen arrive in France immediately after their arrival.



These British troops, trudging through the snow, are moving up to their stations.



In the above view Bren carriers are shown on the move in a small village somewhere in France. (British Official Photograph).

THE WORLD—IN LIGHTER VEIN

MONKEYSHINE

The patient in a mental institution approached the dignified visitor with a quizzical look in his eye. "Who are you?" he demanded.

The stranger surveyed the man coldly.

"Did you ever hear of the Georgia Chain Gang?"

The nut's jaw dropped. "Sure I have," he answered.

The visitor smiled. Leaning over, he whispered: "Well, I'm the missing link!"

TWO OF A KIND

The director of a zoo went away for a vacation, and when he had been gone for a few days, he received a note from his chief assistant which read:

"The baboon is sulking and seems to be pining for a companion. What shall we do until you return?"



"His mother was frightened by a waiter."—London Opinion.

"HIM"

Cedric Adams, of the Minneapolis Star, had the following sprightly item in his column:

"All the famous gals, including Hattie Carnegie, Schiaparelli, Mary Pickford, Connie Bennett and Ganna Walska have gone into the cosmetic business. Walska, though, has the edge. She's exploiting a fragrance she calls 'Him' and her advertising uses such phrases as 'Use Him at night,' 'Use Him in the morning,' 'Him is good for you,' 'Try Him.'"

SOMETHING REALLY IMPORTANT

A visiting Maharaja was being entertained at an exclusive club. The cream of society was there to do him honour, but, unfortunately, the distinguished visitor spoke very little English and his interpreter was little better.

The Maharaja, however, had been coached a bit as to the proper procedure, so at a signal from the toastmaster, he rose to his feet and jabbered enthusiastically. As he seated himself, the interpreter rose to his feet and translated: "Maharaja he say he think America very great country. He like very much."

The Maharaja got up again and jabbered some more, and again the interpreter explained: "Maharaja he say American women very beautiful. He like American women very much."

Again the Maharaja got to his feet, a very serious expression on his face. This time he spoke much longer, gesturing violently the while. The audience waited breathlessly, sure that a message of great import was being delivered. When he finished, the interpreter droned on in a monotone: "The Maharaja he say, please, where is the men's wash room?"



"Six thousand eight hundred and three pots of tea. Two thousand nine hundred with milk, and three thousand nine hundred and three without."—The Man, Sydney.

INTRODUCTIONS

First Lawyer: "You're a cheat,"

Second Lawyer: "You're a liar!"

Judge: "Now that these attorneys have identified each other, we shall proceed with the case."

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NO INSTRUCTION NEEDED

A green-faced woman was leaning on the rail on board ship.

"Oh, oh," she moaned, "I'm so sick I don't know what to do."

"Don't worry, lady," said the passenger next to her. "When it comes time to do it, you'll know!"

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SAVE ME, DOCTOR!

While a Montreal surgeon was finishing an operation on a notorious man-about-town, a fire broke out in a neighbouring building. It was but a space of a few minutes till the flames illuminated the operating room.

"You had better pull down the shades," advised the surgeon to his nurses as the patient began to recover from the effects of the anaesthesia. "I don't want him to think that the operation has not been a success."

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HAW. HAW!

Parson Gilly, who takes great pride in being a teetotaler, met one of his parishioners one day.

"I've got a good joke on you, Parson," chortled that individual. "You forgot to pull down your shades, and when I passed your house last night I saw you having a few drinks with your wife."

"Ha!" Gilly snorted back. "The joke's on you, my friend, I wasn't home last night!"

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TENSE MOMENT

"I have a wife and five children in Florida and I have never seen one of them," said a man on the steamer.

"Were you ever blind?" inquired one of his listeners.

"No, sir!" was the reply.

"Did you marry a widow?" asked another.

"No, sir," the man replied.

There was silence for awhile. Then one of the fellow-passengers said: "Didn't I understand you to say that you had a wife and five children in Florida and had never seen one of them?"

"Yes, that's what I said."

"Well, how can it be that you never saw one of them?"

"Why, one of them was born after I left!" the man replied.

Then the others settled back, greatly relieved.

A WIDE STEPPER

A southern factory, which happened to be situated beside a large cemetery, had been having a hard time keeping a night watchman because of the spooky surroundings, and the many weird stories told of happenings about the place. After eight watchmen had come and gone, the manager decided to offer a fifty per cent increase in wages and do away with the nuisance of having to break in so many men. A big buck negro, black as midnight, answered the advertisement.

Wanting to make sure the negro had nerve enough to remain, the manager decided to test him before giving him the job.

"Sam," he said, "I suppose you know that there is a big cemetery all along one side of our yard, and that things get pretty spooky here?"

"Yashuh, Ah knows that," admitted Sam without enthusiasm.

"Well, there may be some truth in the yarns you have heard. What would you do if you were patrolling the yard alone at midnight, and heard a sort of funny noise over in the cemetery, and you go over there to see what it is..."

"Ah goes ovah inter dat graveyahd to see what make dat noise?"

"Of course, and as you stand there something rises out of the ground, all in white, and shrieking..."

"All white an' shriekin' right dar in de graveyahd?"

"Yes, and clutching at you with bony arms—now, tell me, Sam, what do you think would be the proper steps for you to take?"

"Clutchin' at me wid bony ahms... Lawsy, boss, Ah thinks right den de propah steps fo' me ter take would be erbout twenty feet each!"



"I want some dry goods!"
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Under the banner of Studio de Luxe, an artistic den as lavish as its name—and we are not speaking dimensionally but with an eye to its interior decorativeness and modern comforts—he peers through



An attractive study of Miss Marjorie Lucas, daughter of Sergeant-Major and Mrs. R. E. Lucas, by Mr. Jack Wong of Studio de Luxe.

lenses and adjusts the lighting in a manner which does real credit to the group of Parisian masters by whom he was trained.

His father before him embraced art photography with a view to expressing some of its finer points relating to portraiture, and to-day owns a studio in Paris to testify to his success. The younger Mr. Wong is carrying on the tradition, as it were, concentrating all his artistic sense in achieving a pleasing portrait with the means of proper lighting, correct posture, and every known trick which the clever photographer employs to baffle and please his client. But throughout it all he still manages to retain a look of complete naturalness and unstudied poise in his subject, which is perhaps the most baffling part of all.

Readers will notice his advertisement on Page 4, and will, perhaps, be interested to know that his prices are lower than most.

TO-DAY'S RECIPE

Danish Kleiner

These cookies are really little fried cakes, in buckle shapes, the traditional Danish cake.

Ingredients

- 2 egg yolks
- ½ cup sugar
- ½ cup Gloria Irradiated Milk, undiluted
- ½ cup cooking oil
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon almond extract
- Flour

Beat eggs and egg yolks, add sugar and beat with a spoon for 10 minutes. Add oil, milk, extract and 1 cup flour sifted with the baking powder. Add enough more flour to make a stiff dough; roll out. Cut dough into diamonds about 2 inches long with a slit in the middle. Pass one end of a diamond through this slit and drop cake in hot, deep fat. Fry a light brown, drain and dust with powdered sugar.

Golf is a game where old men chase little balls around when they are too old to chase anything else.

An optimist is a doctor who looks after your eyes. A pessimist is one who attends to your feet.

Marriage begins with a woman taking your name and ends with her taking your money, but anything between these points is yours if you can get it.

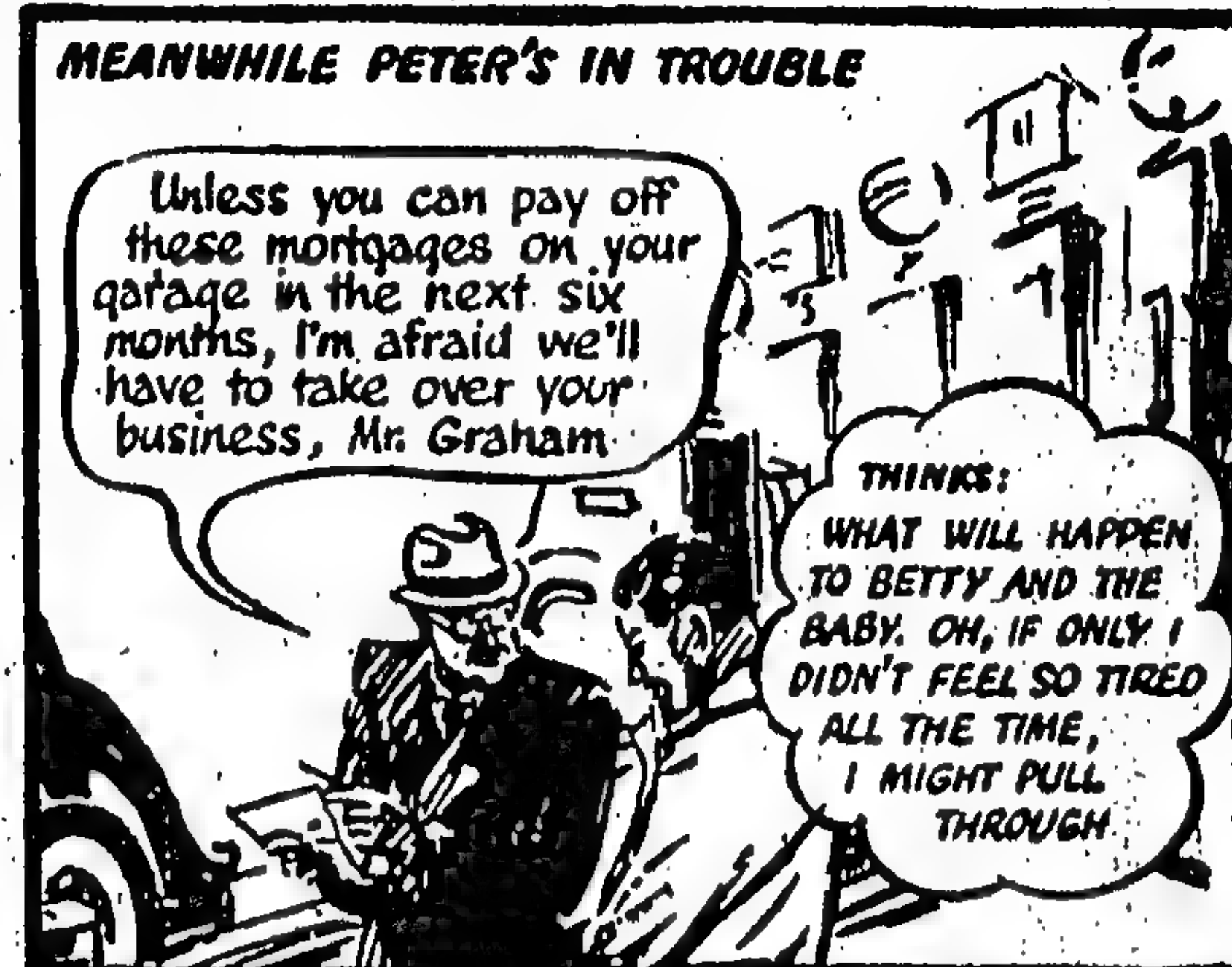


HIS WIFE DESERVED A MEDAL



We're moving next week, Betty. It's a lovely little house with a separate play room for Johnny.

THINKS: WE COULD DO WITH A BIGGER PLACE. I WISH PETER COULD MAKE THE GARAGE PAY



MEANWHILE PETER'S IN TROUBLE

Unless you can pay off these mortgages on your garage in the next six months, I'm afraid we'll have to take over your business, Mr. Graham.

THINKS: WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO BETTY AND THE BABY. OH, IF ONLY I DIDN'T FEEL SO TIRED ALL THE TIME, I MIGHT PULL THROUGH.



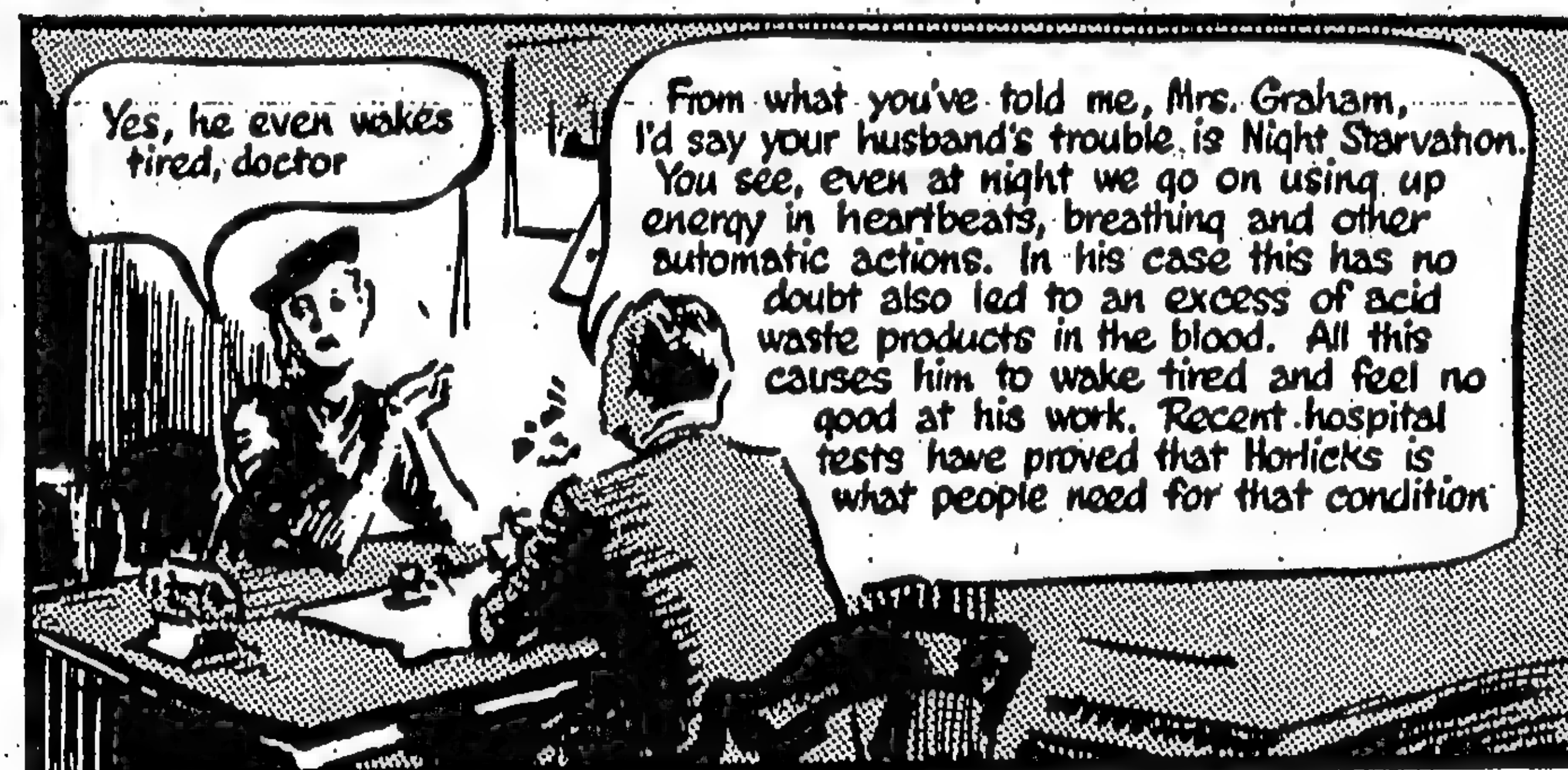
AT HOME THAT EVENING

I can't make things go. I'd better throw my hand in.

We're going to fight to the last ditch, darling, to hold that business. It's just that you're run-down and tired always, Peter....



THAT SAME EVENING BETTY SAW THE DOCTOR



Yes, he even wakes tired, doctor.

From what you've told me, Mrs. Graham, I'd say your husband's trouble is Night Starvation. You see, even at night we go on using up energy in heartbeats, breathing and other automatic actions. In his case this has no doubt also led to an excess of acid waste products in the blood. All this causes him to wake tired and feel no good at his work. Recent hospital tests have proved that Horlicks is what people need for that condition.



BETTY SAW TO IT THAT HER HUSBAND HAD HIS HORLICKS EVERY NIGHT



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The front axle... O.K. Sir. I'll send some down in 10 minutes with the breakdown van.



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Miscellaneous Views



A gathering of friends who attended a Cocktail Party at 15 Braemar Terrace, Quarry Bay to celebrate the coming-of-age of Miss Joan Seath on February 9. (King's Studio).



Mr. and Mrs. Kan Tze Wan photographed after their marriage at the Gloucester Hotel on February 3. The bride is the former Miss Young Sue-kin.



Mr. George Moss, and his bride, the former Miss Kathleen Eleanor Tonge, are pictured above after their marriage at St. Andrew's Church on February 8. At right, the couple are shown surrounded by their many friends who witnessed the church ceremony. (King's Studio).



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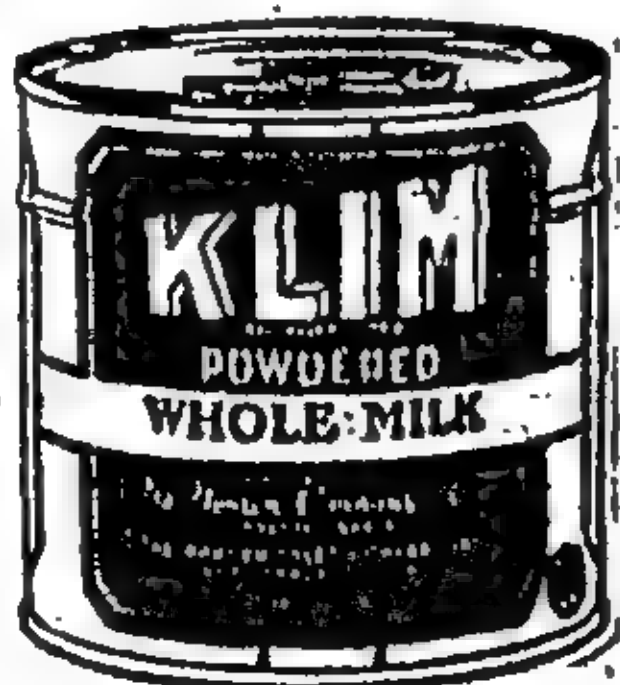


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Mr. Lan Cho-yea pictured at work at the recent Exhibition of Dwarf Pot-plants and Miniature Landscapes held in the Kowloon Tong School to benefit war funds. Some beautiful scrolls and paintings by famous Chinese artists of the Tang and Ching dynasties were included in the exhibition, which was attended by a large crowd.



The Vestry members of St. Paul's Church for 1940 are pictured above with the Reverend S. F. Tso in the centre. (King's Studio).

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BRITISH BLUEJACKETS STORM NAZI "HELL SHIP" IN NORWEGIAN FIORD

Dramatic Rescue Of British Seamen Prisoners Of The Graf Spee

Admiralty Signals "Go Ahead" In Ticklish Situation

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

BETWEEN 300 AND 400 BRITISH SEAMEN, WHO HAD BEEN TAKEN PRISONER BY THE ADMIRAL GRAF SPEE, WERE DRAMATICALLY RESCUED FROM THE ALTMARK, AN AUXILIARY VESSEL OF THE GERMAN NAVY, KNOWN AS THE "NAZI HELL SHIP," BY A BRITISH DESTROYER IN NORWEGIAN WATERS LAST NIGHT.

Several British warships participated in the sensational rescue, which led to a fight between British Tars and the German sailors on the Altmark, in which four Germans were killed and five seriously wounded. There was one British casualty.

News of the affair, was contained in an Admiralty communique issued in London this morning, which describes how the Altmark (which was supply ship to the Graf Spee) was seen two days ago steaming in Norwegian waters in an effort to get back to Germany.

Air reconnaissance was made by British planes, and the Admiralty ordered H.M.S. Intrepid to intercept the Nazi ship, which, however, took refuge in a Norwegian fiord.

The Admiralty then ordered the Royal Navy ships, to enter the fiord, search the Altmark and rescue the prisoners.

NORWAY'S STRONG PROTEST

Oslo, Yesterday.

The Norwegian Government has protested "most strongly and emphatically" to London on the Altmark incident, it was announced here.

The incident is described in accounts here as a "flagrant violation" of Norwegian territorial waters.

The Norwegian statement on the affair admits that the Altmark was escorted by a Norwegian gunboat and also admits that some British subjects were on board. This is contrary to the Norwegian captain's version.

Norway is demanding the return of the prisoners and the payment of compensation.—Reuter.

ALTMARK WAS FLEET AUXILIARY

London, Yesterday.

As a footnote to the Altmark incident the question is being asked in London what a German auxiliary cruiser was doing in Norwegian waters.

There is ample evidence that the Altmark was a Nazi auxiliary vessel.

The captain of the Africa Shell, the tanker which was sunk by the Admiral Graf Spee, said that the Altmark came alongside the Nazi pocket-battleship twice in four days.

Some of the crews of sunk British ships were transferred to the Altmark, which was used as an oil supply ship, a store ship and ammunition ship.—Reuter.

London, Yesterday. First intimation of the affair came from the German wireless, which announced that H.M.S. Intrepid was lying in wait for the Altmark. The German wireless alleged that

STRANGE ASSERTION

Two Norwegian gunboats appeared, and the captain of H.M.S. Intrepid asked for instructions. The Admiralty ordered him to offer the Norwegians that a joint squadron escort the Nazi craft to Bergen, where she could be searched and an investigation made according to international law.

The Norwegian reply rejected this proposal, the captain of one of the gunboats stating that the Altmark had been examined in Bergen the day before.

He said the German ship was unarmed, that he knew nothing of any prisoners and that the Altmark had permission to use Norwegian waters. The British destroyers withdrew but after dark, on orders from the Admiralty, re-entered the fiord.

While one of the British destroyers, H.M.S. Cossack, was trying to come alongside the Altmark, the latter manoeuvred and tried to sink Cossack, but ran aground, stern first.

A party from Cossack boarded the Altmark and a fight ensued, during which four Germans were killed and five seriously wounded.

The Altmark was overpowered and the prisoners, who had been battened down in the holds, taken off.

A full report has been called for from both parties, and the commanding officer of H.M.S. Cossack has been highly commended for his conduct.

Admiralty officials describe the rescue as "a very fine job."

The Norwegian Foreign Office is inquiring into the incident and is to make an official statement.

The Altmark was named "the Nazi hell ship" because of the manner in which the British prisoners were herded below decks. The Altmark had been seeking to evade capture for over three months.

Machine-guns On Deck
The prisoners were kept in the flats with no room to move, and each man only had a quart of water daily for all purposes.

Food supplies were meagre and machine-guns were set up on deck to intimidate the prisoners.

The prisoners state that when the Altmark was being searched in Bergen by the Norwegian authorities, their efforts to obtain release went unheeded by the Norwegians!

German Story
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The German wireless alleged that

Story Of Naval Action

Oslo, Yesterday. According to reports from Bergen a violent naval battle has been registered.—Reuter.

Overpowered

London, Later. A later announcement by the Admiralty said that the Altmark was overpowered in the fiord of Josted.

The British prisoners, who are to be landed from H.M.S. Cossack at a Scottish port, included 65 officers and 220 seamen, including the captains of the steamers Huntsman and Talora, which were among the victims of the Graf Spee.

An official welcome is to be given to the Altmark prisoners at the quay-side. The official party will comprise Lt.-Col. John Colville, Secretary for Scotland, the Commander-in-Chief at Rosyth and municipal dignitaries.

Meanwhile, according to the German news agency, the Norwegian Government has made a protest in London regarding the Altmark incident.—Reuter.

NEUTRALITY BREACH?

LONDON OFFICIAL ATTITUDE

London, Yesterday.

Answering questions concerning the Altmark an authoritative spokesman in London declared that if the Royal Navy had not intervened in the case, Norwegian waters would have been made the channel for an unneutral act in conveying British prisoners of war to Germany.

Such prisoners the British Government is confident, adds the spokesman, would not have been permitted by the Norwegian Government to be taken over Norwegian territory.

This British action followed on the failure of the Norwegian Government to secure the neutrality of their own waters.

There has been continued use of Norwegian waters by Germany in order to escape British pursuit.

The spokesman also pointed out that Germany had also made use of Norwegian waters to perform acts of war against Britain and other States.

SOME INCIDENTS

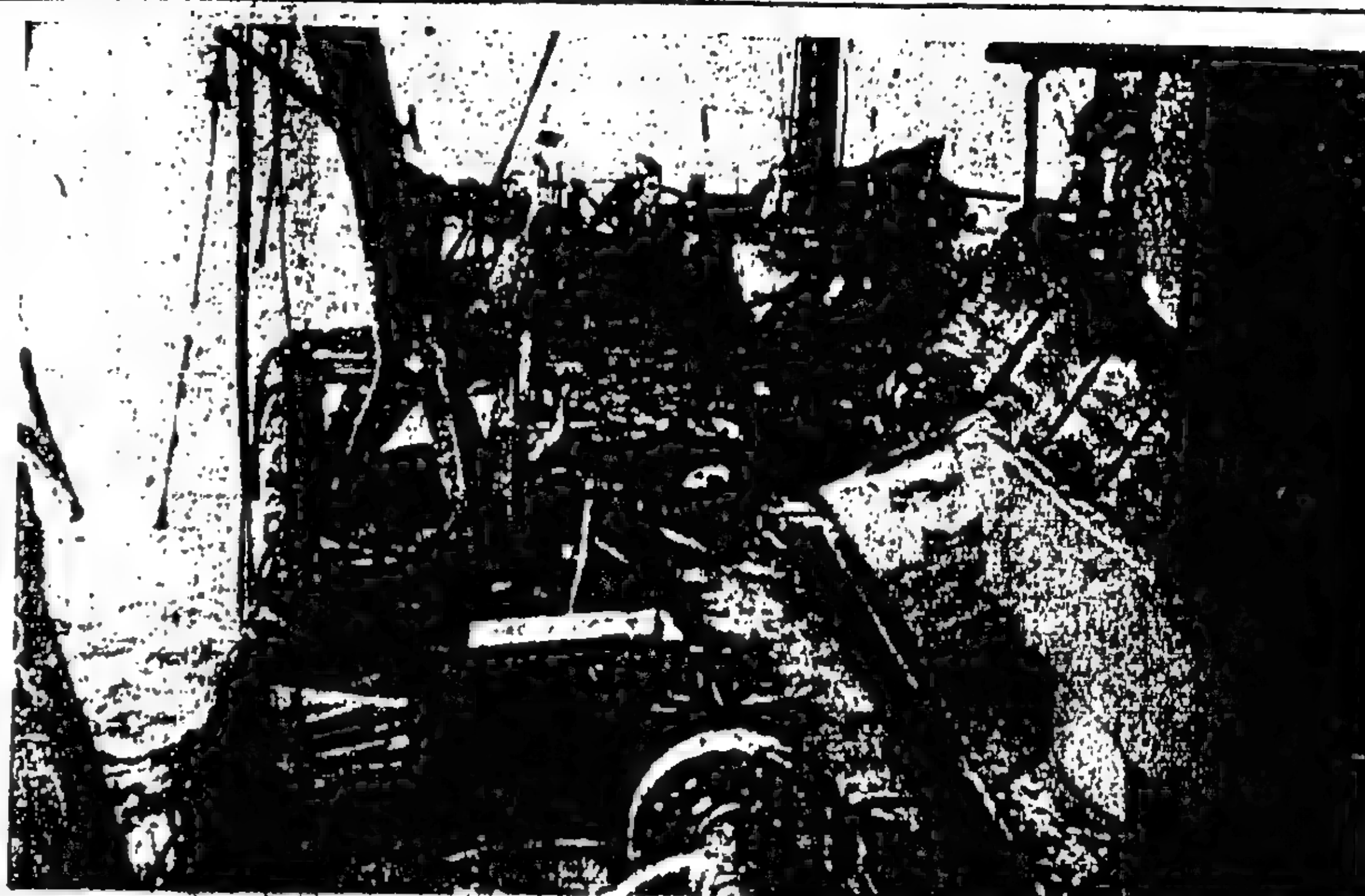
On Dec. 7 the British steamer Thomas Walton was torpedoed off Narvik, in Norway, with the loss of 18 lives. On Dec. 11 the Greek ship Garofalia was torpedoed off Floden, four being killed, and on Dec. 13 the British ship Deptford was torpedoed only one mile off shore, near Honningsvåg Stadt, and 25 of the crew are still missing. These ships were sunk without warning and all were within the territorial waters of Norway.—Reuter.

"PRISONERS" LANDED
London, Yesterday. The British Altmark prisoners were landed at a Scottish port at 3.40 this afternoon.—Reuter.

ANOTHER NORWEGIAN STEAMER SUNK
Amsterdam, Yesterday. The Norwegian steamer Kvernass (1,819 tons) sank in the North Sea following an explosion, believed to be caused by a torpedo from a U-boat.

The crew, including some injured, were rescued by the Netherlands steamer Oranjeschilder.—Reuter.

SON BORN TO DANISH PRINCESS
Copenhagen, Yesterday. A son has been born to Princess Caroline Mathilde, wife of Prince Knud, younger son of King Christian.—Reuter.



The Trinity vessel, Reculver, victim of dastardly attack by Nazi planes in the North Sea. An officer was killed and 32 hands injured. Photo shows a view of the boat deck showing lifeboats smashed on the deck. (Copyright, By Air Mail).

DERBY SWEEP CLOSED

The sale of sweep tickets for the Hong Kong Derby was stopped by the Jockey Club yesterday when the total had reached 700,000 tickets.

No further tickets are to be sold.

The first prize, therefore, will be \$297,920.

The second prize will be \$85,120, the third \$42,560, and the holders of numbers drawing ponies entered will each receive \$3,432.26.

Yesterday morning, speculators were trying to sell Derby tickets near Exchange Building at a premium of 10 cents and 20 cents per ticket.

SHANGHAI COAL FANTASY

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Soft coal prices to-day soared to \$280 a ton, an increase during the past week of \$60.

While not greatly affecting apartment and office buildings, because a year's supply was contracted previously, housekeepers do not know how to face this new burden.

It is also believed that next winter will be disastrous, as coal firms are unwilling to conclude forward contracts.

There is no question of profiteering but of increased transportation costs and supply difficulties from Calcutta, as the Chinese mines are unable to supply Shanghai owing to their output being taken to Japan.

Merchants locally are actually making only \$8 a ton, which is considerably less than previous to 1937, when a ton cost only \$40.

IMPOSSIBLE PRICES

Industrial plants are particularly hard hit, and merchants predict that several factories will be forced to close down soon in view of the impossibility of paying these prices.

It is further predicted that local coal prices are bound to reach \$350 a ton, though it is recalled that during the Great War a price of \$450 was reached, notwithstanding the better exchange prevailing then.—Our Own Correspondent.

SHANGHAI KILLING

SHANGHAI YESTERDAY. TWO GUNMEN MURDERED A FORMER GOVERNMENT AND "REFORMED GOVERNMENT" OFFICIAL IN THE CROWDED RUE DES BOEURS AT 9.30 THIS MORNING. THE KILLERS ESCAPED.

Only clue to the identity of the man killed was a visiting card giving the name of Lu Ta, with the information that he was a salt merchant of Wushih and Soochow.

Lu was aged 30 and served the "reformed government" for several months prior to his death.—Reuter.

AMAZING COUNSEL IN JAPAN

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The wholesale slaughter of all dogs and cats in the Japanese Empire, "to save their food," has been proposed to the Diet by Mr. Reikichi Kita, a member of the Minseito party.

Pointing out that every dog or cat eats one koku of rice a year, and assuming the total number of these animals in Japan to be one million, one million koku of rice will be economized "if these dogs and cats ceased to live in our land."

The Minister of Agriculture being absent the Minister of War, General Hata, replied: "I am not so sure of the merits of the proposal, which would be too painful for all animal lovers."

Gen. Hata spoke with sentiment since he has a great weakness for the two splendid hounds which he keeps in his house.

MR. KITA ALSO SUGGESTED THAT high should be fed on left over rice, but the agricultural authorities opposed the suggestion, since they said also cannot keep watch on robbers while the disappearance of cats would prevent any check on the rat population of the country.—Havas.

R.A.F. BOMBER LOST IN NORTH SEA

London, Yesterday.

An R.A.F. bomber has been lost in the North Sea.

A communique issued by the German High Command to-day says that over the Heligoland light one Messerschmidt fighter brought down a Bristol Blenheim.

The R.A.F. plane was a lone unit on reconnaissance and was the first British aerial loss for several weeks in the daily patrol over Nazi bases.—Reuter.

200,000 MORE MEN REGISTERING

London, Yesterday.

Men of the 20 and 23 age groups liable for military service are registering at Labour Exchanges. The registration is expected to yield about 200,000 men for the three Services.—British Wireless.

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WOMEN IN WARTIME



Her Majesty the Queen on Jan. 25 visited members of the Headquarters Staff of the Women's Royal Naval Service popularly known as the "Wrens." Photo shows a salute for the Queen. (Air Mail).



Her Majesty the Queen at the depot for Knitted Comforts for the Royal Navy, displayed a great interest in the articles sent there. Gifts have been received at the depot from Buckingham Palace. Photo shows the Queen looking at some of the sea-boot stockings during her visit. (Air Mail).



Inter-regional mutual support exercises at the Royal Naval Barracks, Chatham. The exercise was based on supposition that certain Midway towns had been devastated and all resources exhausted. London Region was called in to help with some 200 vehicles and 900 personnel. Photo shows some of the girl ambulance drivers warming up before the exercise. (Air Mail).

NEW YORK TO BE WORLD FASHION CENTRE?

With Europe in the throes of war Mainbocher, the man who brought back the corset and made hips fashionable, believes that New York is soon to become the world fashion capital, for he believes that Paris is finished for a long time.

Mainbocher considers the Couture Salon in Paris finished for the present. "But Fashion won't die," he says. "It will take more than war to stop women from dressing to knock other women's eyes out—to please men, and, of course, to please themselves!"

Certainly in New York you would never think there was a war raging in Europe, although many people here are in some way affected by it, and all are interested vitally in what part America might eventually play. This season, socially, and from a fashion standpoint, promises to be one of the gayest and most glamorous in years.

Judging by what I have seen worn at Manhattan's smartest theatre premieres, and in the newly opened night-clubs here, you are going to look just a little unclothed without an elaborate head-dress with your dinner and evening clothes.



Tiny ostrich plumed hat with covered-up dinner gown.

Newest of all evening head-dresses are the ostrich feathers following the style of Velasquez's Infanta portraits. These, of course, are ideal with the Balenciaga's evening gowns with the side hoops, deep neckline and full stiff skirt, which type I have seen worn in great deal by the younger dancers at El Morocco and in the beautiful setting of the Persian Room at the Plaza.

To emphasize fragile loveliness and femininity, delicate net and mousseline kerchiefs, hoods and veils, sequin studded or gold threaded, give an ethereal air, and are practical for protecting the coiffure.

Ostrich feathers are seen in more guises than that I have mentioned (when they are attached to little combs, and thus affixed to the head). They are also worn sweeping from tiny hats, or just in swirling discs or bows.

Very femme fatale in the evening head-dress variety is the striking turban of gold cloth, which tightly enshrouds the entire head and finishes with a high padded twist on top.

Most important point to remember when dramatising with one of these elaborate ideas is to study your facial contours and adorn discreetly, for—as I have noticed here—it's better to look "unclothed" than to look foolishly extreme.

Although formal picture frocks are being worn a great deal on smart occasions, most chic are the "covered up" dinner types, but these are exotically embroidered on neck and sleeve, or if plain, are relieved with mass jewellery.

Many simple dresses are topped with Grandee jackets: glittering with gilt embroidery, typically Goya. Others have huge embroidered gilt epaulettes with heavy gold fringe.

Certainly, everything this season is elaborate. Either in glitter, shimmering, embroidery, accessory, or fabric. It is a season where individuality counts, and contrast rules; where extreme simplicity combined with almost blatant ornamentation will win you the highest compliments; and it is a season which offers you on a silver platter the ingredients for success, but entrusts the correct balance and final mixing to you. And, if never before, this season innate good taste will cast the die for failure, mediocrity, or success!

A little glycerine added to the rinsing water will help to keep flannels soft.

LONDON GOING GAY AGAIN

By Margaret Gilruth

London.
This city is beginning to go gay despite the black-out and West Enders, weary of waiting at home for the "Blitzkrieg," are now giving their glamorous best clothes a first war-time airing.

Uniformed women who last month booms-a-daisied with men in mufti, are now gowning and crowding the nightclubs which reopened with patrons and tables encroaching on the dancing space.

A new revue, starring Vic Oliver, resurrects the Czech national dance, the polka, which the Czech refugees say they intend dancing in Prague after the war.

HOW WOMAN SEES THE WAR

Here's an excerpt which vividly gives the woman's picture of the war as it feels in England: "We are calm, but very run down after these months of 'nerve war,' but mad as hell at everyone and everything."

The prodigious energy that was put out in the first drive to quit London wore us out. Now, however, we are up and at 'em!

"Momentarily, I have given up actual war work. I have my own home front. Eight or ten to feed at every meal, and a private balloon barrage to keep me out of town as much as possible.

"Every family has a small army of people depending upon it—so you can imagine the vigorous attack upon life this means.

"You know, Andrea, I doubt that anyone in their hearts really expected this war. The Powers played with the possibility without being able to realise the awfulness of the actuality.

"Spent last week in London. Gosh! You could bowl a hoop down Regent-street at any hour of any day. No private cars and no pedestrians to matter. Yet the Berkeley Buttery was like a hive. I heard an officer say it resembled a dugout in the Maginot Line."

Then talking of a Wing-Commander friend of mine, who has become a Big Noise: "What a great big careless creature he is. Strange new breed these flyingmen. They won't fit into any of the old moulds. One must be plastic with them."

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Britain's Policy In The Far East? Roosevelt Strikes A Blow For China

FOR most of us the affairs of Europe have been so absorbing during the past half-year that we have had little leisure to remember that at the other end of the earth a war is going on, bloodier and more cruel by far than that in which we are involved.

Six months ago, President Roosevelt startled us all by giving notice to terminate the commercial treaty between the United States and Japan.

This period has now elapsed, and though there have been some intermittent attempts at negotiation in Tokyo, no new treaty has been elaborated.

It was thought that the American Government would be willing to renew the provisions of the old treaty, month by month, or for a few months at a time. The Japanese made some efforts to placate American feeling. They offered to reopen the Yangtze river to trade, and to compensate the many Americans who have suffered from the ruthless operations of their armies. These suggestions sprang from a misunderstanding of American action. She has her own grounds of complaint, for the Japanese have been as rough and inconsiderate towards her citizens as towards our own.

The real purpose of Mr. Roosevelt, however, was bigger and more disinterested. He is putting economic pressure on Japan to further peace in China.

The effects that will follow the lapse of this commercial treaty may be as considerable as they will be salutary. They amount to a form of Sanctions against an aggressor.

Munitions Export Ban?

In the first place, the President should now be able to prohibit the export of munitions to Japan. Secondly, it is likely that the maximum tariff will now come into force against Japanese goods, which will have to meet an average duty of 45 per cent.

This will hit more especially the

export of raw silk, on which Japan relies to finance her imports of American cotton and oil. Genuine silk will become an excessively costly luxury, and Japan, with only a modest gold reserve on which to draw, will find it increasingly difficult to finance the purchase of the raw materials, to say nothing of the munitions, on which her economic existence depends.

This is a bold stroke for peace, which may give the American Government a decisive influence in shortening the Sino-Japanese struggle.

If the British Empire, including the Dominions, had been ready for parallel action, the end of this brutal war of conquest would already be in sight.

That is much more than we dare say, but China has found a friend, and her prospects, since the treaty lapsed, are very much brighter. By a happy coincidence, she is celebrating an encouraging victory won by her forces in the field. The Japanese advance lost its impetus long ago. It is the Chinese who now score successes in their counter-attacks.

It is not easy to form a sober estimate of the military position. The broad fact seems to be that in the vast provinces they have conquered the Japanese hold, with no degree of security, only the chief towns and the main lines of communication.

No Authority

Over the wide spaces that lie between the few railway lines they exercise no steady authority. The Chinese have learned the art of guerrilla warfare, and it is not merely bands of irregulars that harass the Japanese communications, but considerable formations of disciplined troops. These are still active, even in the neighbourhood of Shanghai. This means that the Japanese can make no economic use of their conquests, and they have failed signally to develop the raw materials and minerals which they hoped to force

on the Chinese an over-valued and inconvertible paper dollar has added to their difficulties. Chinese peasants will sell to them only at the point of the bayonet.

Meanwhile, in the twelve Western provinces which it still controls, the Chinese National Government, undaunted by its difficulties, is carrying on an astonishing work of re-organisation. These were the backward and old-world provinces, remote from the ports. But machinery has been transported by pack-animals and on men's backs.

The Cooperatives

On a Co-operative basis, small industries have been started to equip the armies that are being trained for the recovery of the lost provinces. The main difficulty lies in importing arms, and in paying for them.

The best help that China has had came from the Soviet Union, which gave her a loan to buy arms for £30,000,000 last June. The British and American credits for the support of her currency were much more modest.

Three routes are open for the traffic in arms: the "back-door" motor-road through Burma; the lone overland route, little more than a desert track, to Asiatic Russia; and the railway from French Indo-China, which is liable to be bombed.

More should have been done to develop the flat and best of these roads, but the Burmese, with their Buddhist sympathies, are coming under Japanese influence.

This material problem of the supply of modern arms is difficult, and

By
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the European war has made it no easier. But the chief condition for the survival of the Chinese nation lies in the preservation of its unity and its will to resist. Its spirit in what is still free China remains unbroken, resourceful and undismayed.

The Kuomintang and the Communists have made a truce in their class-war, and are facing the invader as comrades-in-arms. It is none the less an uneasy alliance. The class-struggle may be postponed; amid the physical poverty of these peasants it cannot be forgotten.

Foreign correspondents report dissensions and even some armed clashes between these two wings of the national forces, but Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, does his best to preserve harmony and usually succeeds.

The only breach in the ranks that matters is the desertion of one ambitious man. For long the Japanese sought among Chinese careerists for some figure respectable enough to head a puppet Government. At last they found him in Wang Ching-wei.

One cannot deny that this man is able. He was a gallant revolutionary in his youth, and the recognised leader of the Left in the Kuomintang party.

If his desertion to the Japanese was a heavy blow, the sequel has been reassuring. In spite of his personal prestige, he has carried no one with him who enjoys general respect.

Useless To The Conquerors

His puppet Government will command no loyalty from the Chinese population of the occupied area, and will therefore be useless to the conquerors.

One had feared that big business among Chinese merchants and bankers might have rallied to Wang for the sake of a quiet life and the pursuit of gain. But Japanese methods have alienated even this least idealistic section of the nation.

It seems that the Japanese technique of conquest includes the forcible appropriation of all the bigger Chinese enterprises. Their companies are obliged to hand over 51 per cent of their share-capital to Japanese instructors, who pay nothing and invest nothing.

Such methods have failed to win partisans for Japan, even among the wealthier Chinese. The mass of the population is exposed to the cruder forms of physical brutality.

The ill the Japanese do is far from ending when they have bombed a city and sacked it. Their notion of financing their war is to thrust opium at a fantastic profit upon the Chinese. It offers them some oblivion

from their miseries, but at the cost of moral and physical degeneration.

Wang's Isolated Treason

Against such a background as this, the desertion of Wang Ching-wei is not widely approved. But, indeed, the Japanese have taken little trouble to make his treason plausible.

The terms of peace that have been offered him do not disguise the complete subjection of the half of China over which he will preside. He must accept Japanese garrisons and he will have to obey the orders of the armies that protect him.

China will fight on until she recovers her freedom. The rest of the world could do much to shorten her costly struggle. Her friends have watched with some anxiety the recent improvement in Russo-Japanese relations.

As yet, this amounts only to the ending of a number of local disputes. To that extent, it leaves the Japanese a somewhat freer hand for their war. But as yet there is no reason to suspect that Stalin is less friendly to China.

Two rules should guide it. It must do nothing to hamper China in her struggle for life. It should back America to the full extent of its power in all her efforts to serve China and restore peace.

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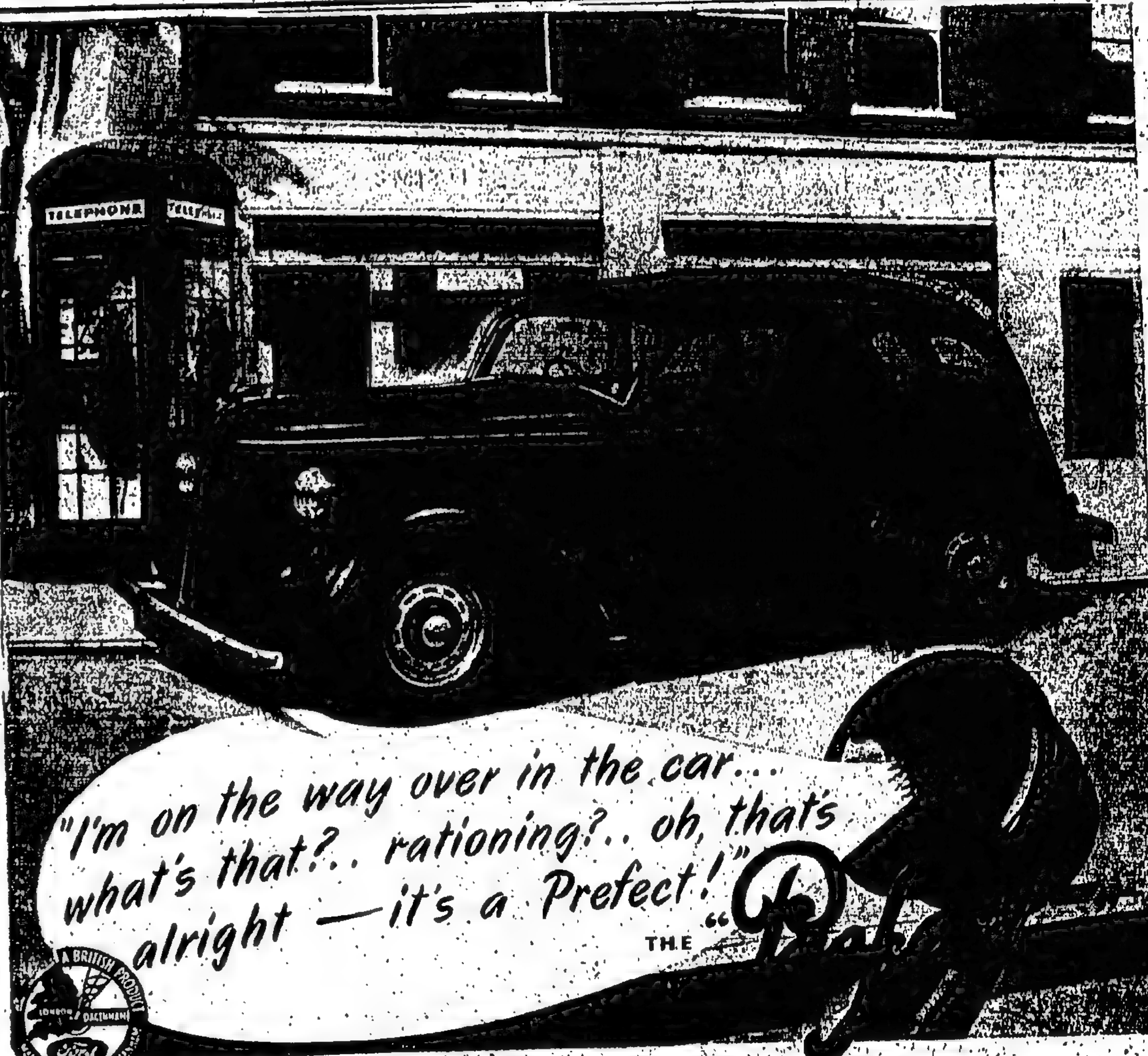
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NEW ZEALAND IN ACTION

Wellington, Yesterday. Mr. M. J. Savage, the New Zealand Premier, declared in a speech here that the Dominion's war efforts showed that the country was heart and soul with the mother country and her Allies in the fight against the Nazi menace.

The practical effectiveness of this effort was shown in the splendid response to the recruiting appeal. A second New Zealand contingent was in training and recruiting for a third was almost completed.

A National Register was essential in New Zealand so that industry would not be deprived of vital workers.

Mr. Savage said New Zealand had no rival in the production of mutton, cheese, butter and lamb, and all these were at the complete disposal of Great Britain.

Organization and a comprehensive recruiting campaign were necessary and both these were now going on.

STILL THEY COME. Mr. Savage, after saying that New Zealand's second contingent was zealously training within the Dominion, added that the quota for the third contingent will be complete in a day or two.

He said that in addition to that good record of recruitment there had been a splendid response by young men for service in the Navy, Air Force and the Māori Battalion, and a large number of returned soldiers and Territorials were manning the Dominion's coastal defences.

In every way, New Zealand will play its part in the war for peaceful progress.—Reuter.

HEROES OF PLATE

LONDON, YESTERDAY. "THE HEROES OF THE RIVER PLATE," AS THE MEN OF H.M.S. AJAX AND EXETER, NOW ON LEAVE IN ENGLAND, ARE BEING CALLED, ARE TO BE ENTERAINED SHORTLY AT THE GUILDHALL.

Commenting on this, the "Daily Express" suggests that the men should march through the streets of London.

Victories are the best propaganda, says the paper, and if the people can see the victors of the battle of the River Plate it will do more to hearten them than any number of speeches.—Reuter.

GERMANY TO SUPPLY THE SOVIET

Moscow, Yesterday. The recent commercial agreement with Nazi Germany provides for heavy shipments of German war materials to the Soviet Union, according to the Moscow radio.—Reuter.

SPAARK AND WELLES

Brussels, Yesterday. M. Spaak, the Belgian Premier, has had a long talk with the American Ambassador about the forthcoming visit to Europe of Mr. Sumner Welles, U.S. Under-Secretary of State.—Havas.

PROSPECT OF BRITISH VICTORY

What are the chances of Britain bringing this war to a glorious and successful end? Will there be great land battles? Will London be bombed? Will the German Navy ever venture out?

George Malcolm Thomson, distinguished political journalist, has made a deep and detailed enquiry into the whole possibilities of the war.

The result of expert investigations spread over many weeks will appear in a series of articles appearing in the "China Mail" commencing to-morrow.

The articles contain what may be described as the first complete picture of the war. They begin to-morrow.

KING AND QUEEN AT ROYAL ACADEMY

London, Yesterday. The United Artists Exhibition at the Royal Academy of works by present day artists was visited by the King and Queen yesterday morning. The Queen purchased a painting she had admired on a previous visit.—British Wireless.

TAX-FREE RESIDENCE IN CHAPEL OFFERED TO CHINESE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Shanghai, Yesterday. MAYOR FU SIAO-EN, of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai, to-day appealed to all Chinese to return to Chapel to take up residence following relaxation on Wednesday of the restrictions governing the passage of Chinese across Soochow Creek.

Mayor Fu promises there will be no taxes, because it is believed the Chinese are eager to reconstruct the war-torn city, part of which has been completely destroyed and deserted since 1937.

Chinese are now crossing the bridges without passes, and the Hongkew and Broadway districts to-day were filled with Chinese who were there for the first time for two years and a half.

Meanwhile, it is believed that further negotiations between the S.M.C. and the Japanese will open soon with a view to the general return to S.M.C. jurisdiction of the northern districts.

In any case, the present relaxation is bound to improve the house shortage, thereby reducing rentals.

It is generally presumed that thousands of Chinese are planning to occupy houses in the northern districts, where rentals are cheaper, thereby emptying houses south of the Creek.—Our Own Correspondent.

ATLANTIC AIR MAIL

London, Yesterday. Imperial Airways announce that the British trans-Atlantic Mail service is expected to be resumed no later than the first week in July. It is unlikely that paying passengers will be carried.—Reuter.

"We Shall Have To Fight And Suffer" BLITZKRIEG IMMINENT? NEW TONE IN BRITISH OFFICIAL COMMENT

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

EXPECTATIONS OF AN IMMINENT GERMAN LIGHTNING STROKE IN AN ATTEMPT TO WREST SWIFT VICTORY WERE REFLECTED IN TWO BRITISH OFFICIAL STATEMENTS TO-DAY.

Surprises are in store; they may come very soon now; no-one can be sure of the form of Hitler's attack, stated General Wavell, commanding the British troops in the Near East, in a broadcast in Cairo.

"We shall have to struggle, fight and suffer," declared Mr. Oliver Stanley, the Secretary of State for War, to war correspondents in France.

General Wavell added, however, that no matter where the blow fell, he had no doubt of the final result. The Germans, he said, would make use of the advantage their central position gave them, but the evil forces of violence, cruelties and lies would fail just as they did 25 years ago.

Justice would defeat oppression and freedom would emerge even from the concentration camps.

General Wavell stressed that Anglo-French military co-operation in the Near East was the same as in France, where the two armies were one, to all intents and purposes.

He concluded by paying a tribute to Egypt, Turkey and Iraq for their support of the Allied cause.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Oliver Stanley, who has made another detailed inspection of British troops in the forward areas in France, was accompanied by General Viscount Gort, the Commander-in-Chief, and he told war correspondents that though he had no doubt of the outcome of the war they should not get the impression that the battle would be won easily.

"We will have to struggle, fight and suffer," he declared. "It is absurd to think that Germany will go down without trying out her war machine."

Asked by a correspondent if he thought there would be any German attack on the Western Front, Mr. Stanley replied: "The decision rests on one man. I believe Hitler is not anxious to stake all on one blow but your guess is as good as mine."—Reuter.

DANISH SHIPS SUNK

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

London, Yesterday. Two Danish ships were sunk in the North Sea yesterday by U-boats, and 39 survivors have now been landed. There are still 22 missing.

The two ships are the Rhone, 1,064 tons, and the Slesinger, 1,006 tons, and they were sailing off the East Coast early yesterday morning when they were torpedoed. They were close together and were sunk within 10 minutes of each other. So far, 9 men have been landed from the Rhone and 13 men, including six passengers, from the Slesinger.—Reuter.

Both the Rhone and the Slesinger are owned by the Det. Forende Dampskibes. Selsk. and are registered at Copenhagen. The Rhone, which was built in Copenhagen in 1915, was 237 feet long and fitted with refrigerating machinery, while the Slesinger, which was 231 feet long, was built in Elsinore in the same year.

IMPORTANT INCREASE IN VACCINATIONS

IN RESPONSE TO THE APPEAL OF THE MEDICAL AUTHORITIES, VACCINATIONS INCREASED CONSIDERABLY DURING THIS LAST WEEK.

The total of persons vaccinated since the beginning of the year, registered yesterday, was 110,597. Twenty-nine fresh cases of small-pox were notified during the week, while there were 23 deaths. Four cases were reported on Friday.

Since the beginning of the year there have been 155 cases and 117 deaths.

SOUTH AFRICANS MAY VOLUNTEER

Capetown, Yesterday. It is officially announced that members of the South African Defence Forces who wish to volunteer for service outside South Africa may now do so with the approval and consent of the Government.

They will be able to fight for the Union as members of a South African unit beyond the borders of the Union. The principle of "no commanding" for such service remains unchanged.—Reuter.

STALIN FLIRTING WITH ALLIES!

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

London, Yesterday. The "Daily Sketch" says there is an increasing fear in Germany that Stalin has made indirect overtures to Britain and France, aiming at the establishment of more friendly relations with them once the Finnish campaign is over.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI MODUS VIVENDI

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY. THE MODUS VIVENDI SIGNED YESTERDAY BETWEEN THE SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AND THE CHINESE MUNICIPALITY MUST NOT BE CONSIDERED AN AGREEMENT BUT MERELY A TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT WITH A VIEW TO A RETURN OF PEACE AND TRANQUILITY IN THE WESTERN AREAS PENDING FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS FOR SETTLEMENT OF THE ENTIRE OUTSIDE ROADS PROBLEM.

This settlement will provide not only policing but also taxation on only police buildings, Chinese territory buildings inside Chinese territory, the outside roads, and the public utilities, which are operated by companies supplying the settlement.

It is recalled that the present modus vivendi is no different from that signed between the Nanking Government and the S.M.C. in 1932, though the latter never became effective.

Observers are of opinion that atmosphere for further negotiations on a final settlement has now been established, and consequently it is believed it will not be too difficult to arrive at an agreement.—Our Own Correspondent.

CYPRUS REGIMENT

London, Yesterday.

His Majesty has been pleased to approve the formation of a Cyprus Regiment consisting of a combatant battalion, pioneer companies and pack transport companies. All units will be liable for overseas service and will be so employed. Units of all three categories have been or will be raised immediately. All enlistments will be for the duration of the war.—British Wireless.

VIOLIN CONCERT

A violin concert will be given by Mr. Chow Pu-wel in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel on Friday, commencing at 9.30 p.m.

Professor Harry Ore will be at the piano. Mr. Chow recently returned from the Conservatory of Leipzig.

YANGTSE OFFER JUST A BARGAINING POINT?

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Bluntly declaring that the promise to re-open the Yangtse was used as a diplomatic bargain in Admiral Nomura's (the last Foreign Minister) negotiations with the United States on December 18, the "Kokumin Shimbun," the Army organ, remarks to-day that various quarters are greatly interested in the Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita's attitude in this connection.

Some believe, the Army organ declares, that the reopening of the Yangtse might cause economic confusion owing to a "fresh influx of yen" (national currency), while others say that punitive operations are still going on in the Yangtse area.

But others say, the "Kokumin Shimbun" continues, that the Japanese authorities, on the spot, have found the removal of the

barriers to navigation not so easy as was at first thought in the present state of military, naval, economic and political affairs in the Yangtse area.

The newspaper therefore believes there is no possibility of the Yangtse being reopened for some time. "Perhaps it will be done," the journal adds, "after the new central government is established in collaboration with it."—Reuter.

R.A.F. SEA CONVOYS



This picture showing a big Sunderland four-engined flyingboat which the R.A.F. uses for convoy work gives a vivid impression of its huge size. Triple-gun can be seen peeping through the tail. (Air Mail).

Dramatic News Of Nanning's Recapture

CHUNGKING, YESTERDAY. NEWS OF A CHINESE VICTORY AT NANNING SPREAD LIKE WILDFIRE THROUGHOUT CHUNGKING THIS AFTERNOON, AND SOON PRACTICALLY EVERY SHOP WAS LETTING OFF FIRECRACKERS.

Chinese military quarters as well as the Chinese official Central News Agency, which maintains correspondents and wireless stations at Kweilin and also on the Kwangsi fronts, cannot, however, confirm the news.

Usually reliable Chinese circles here claim that big fires have been raging for two days in Nanning since Thursday, when the Japanese forces "started with drawing large numbers to the south towards the sea coast."

The same sources estimate that 18,000 Japanese troops have already evacuated Nanning.

The first report of the alleged Chinese victory at Nanning came this morning from communication sources in Kwangsi, whose telegram to Chungking claimed that the Japanese were setting fire to all villages on highways north-east and north of Nanning, in the vicinity of Kunlunkwan and Kaofeng, respectively.

Japanese troops on the highways to Pingyang and Wuming were stated to be withdrawing, while the Japanese troops at Nanning were also withdrawing towards Yanchow, on the sea coast.

AWAITING DETAILS. No Japanese troops, it was alleged,

were found beyond a point 10 miles from Nanning, thus placing the Chinese vanguards in the vicinity of Szekang, north-east of Nanning.

Enquiries in official Chinese quarters here revealed that they are still awaiting further details from Kwangsi headquarters.

They said it was true that Japanese troops north-east and north of Nanning have been withdrawing towards Nanning.—Reuter.

ENTRY REPORTED. Kwangchowwan, Yesterday. It is unconfirmably reported here that Chinese troops entered Nanning, the Kwangsi capital, last night.—Our Own Correspondent.

FIGHTING IN EAST CHEKIANG

CHUNGKING, YESTERDAY. THE FIGHTING IN EAST CHEKIANG HAS BECOME MORE INTENSE AS THE JAPANESE FORCES ARE SAID TO HAVE CROSSED THE CHIENGTANG RIVER AT POINTS EAST AND WEST OF HSIAOSHAN, IN AN EFFORT TO RELIEVE THE PRESSURE BY CHINESE TROOPS ON THAT CITY, ACCORDING TO A CHINESE REPORT RECEIVED TO-DAY.

About 2,000 Japanese troops are stated to be holding out on the south bank of the Chientang River.

At dawn on Thursday Japanese troops crossed the river from the north bank east of Hsiao-shan, at Sanchalu and Palmasan.

The troops which landed at Sanchalu have advanced southward towards the town of Anchang.

In the meantime the Japanese forces at Hsiao-shan have launched attacks against the Chinese positions in an attempt to support their troops crossing the two rivers.—Reuter.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

London, Yesterday. A memorial service for Lord Tweedmouth, the late Governor-General of Canada, will be held in Westminster Abbey next Thursday.—Reuter.

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RUMANIA AND ITALY FRATERNISE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday. The leader of the Rumanian Youth Organization, who is visiting Italy with a delegation, spent another busy day yesterday.

He had an audience with the King of Italy in the morning and at noon, accompanied by members of the delegation, was received by Signor Mussolini, with whom he conversed for some time.—Havas.

Bucharest, Yesterday. The visit of the Rumanian Youth Organization delegation to Italy is being watched by the Rumanian press very closely.

As one paper puts it, the leader of the delegation "brings to Italy the salute not only of the 4,000,000 youths of the organization but of the whole people of Rumania."

Italy's friendship with Rumania, the Italian Government's policy in the Balkans and other Italian subjects are other subjects of comment by the Rumanian press.—Havas.

FULL FURY OF WAR IN SPRING

Washington.

Yesterday.

Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, American Ambassador to London (at present in America), has warned the Government that with the coming of Spring the European War may burst into full fury.—Reuter.

GARNER TO STAND

Los Angeles, Yesterday.

Mr. John Garner, the Vice-President, announces that he will enter the Democratic primary election in California for nomination as candidate for the Presidency.—Reuter.

NAZIS CRITICAL OF REDS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Berne, Yesterday.

The first open criticism in Germany of the Red Army has been published in the "Voelkischer Beobachter," official organ of the Nazi Party.

The Nazi Journal says: "We doubt whether the offensive power of the Red Army can be increased. Winter has contributed somewhat to save Finland but Soviet victories of quite another kind were expected early in the war owing to the enormous Soviet numerical superiority."—Havas.

56 HOURS IN OPEN BOAT

London, Yesterday.

After spending 56 hours in an open boat 15 survivors of the Newcastle cargo-vessel Langkai (4,022 tons), which was sunk by enemy action on Wednesday while homeward bound from Boston, Mass., were landed in Elre last night.

The survivors were in an exhausted condition and only one man was fit enough to row. Another died in the boat.

The two ships' boats were launched when the vessel was sunk; there is no trace of the second, containing the captain and other members of the crew.—Reuter.

SHADOWS BEFORE?

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Peiping, Yesterday.

The China News Agency was inaugurated here to-day as the semi-official mouthpiece of the "provisional government."

Simultaneously the Chinese service here of Domei, the Japanese news agency, has been stopped, while the Domei English and Japanese news services are to continue.

It is not known if the Peiping China News Agency is linked with the agency of the same name established in Shanghai as Wang Ching-wei's mouthpiece.—Reuter.

RUTHENIA DISORDER

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Lviv (Lemberg), Yesterday. There have been many grave incidents in the past few days between the Ruthenian population and the Soviet Secret Police.

The disturbances have been caused by the fact that the Ruthenians insist on being allowed to perform religious services, which the Soviet police try to stop.

Several Ruthenians have been killed or wounded in clashes and there have been many arrests.—Havas.

SERIOUS CHARGE

Ho Kau, 39, assistant cook-boy, was before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday, charged with impersonating a police officer in Lockhart Road on Friday.

Two Yan was charged with aiding and abetting.

Det-Sgt. V. Morrison asked for a remand for further enquiries.

Cavalry Brigade Cut Up In Charge Over Ice

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

HELSINKI, YESTERDAY.

NEUTRAL MILITARY OBSERVERS STATE THAT NEVER HAS THERE BEEN SUCH A WASTE OF MEN AND MATERIAL ON ANY FRONT BEFORE AS THAT OF THE RED ARMY IN ITS KARELIAN ISTHMUS DRIVE WHICH, AFTER OVER A FORTNIGHT OF FIGHTING, HAS RESULTED IN THE CAPTURE OF A FEW OUT-POSTS.

On Thursday, the Soviets made use of what is, for this war, a "new weapon." This was mounted horse-men, cavalymen from the Caucasus, and the best in the Soviet Army.

They attacked across the ice of the Gulf of Finland, but found Finnish gunners ready for them. The attacks were repulsed, and the Soviets withdrew, leaving behind them hundreds of dead and dying horses and men, a number of armoured cars, and 13 destroyed tanks.

To-day, the attention of military circles has turned somewhat from wondering about Finnish powers of resistance and the question now is: How long can the Soviets stand the strain of attacks on this scale?

EXHAUSTION OF MATERIAL. Material is being used up, or lost, faster than it can be manufactured. This is shown in recent Soviet air-raids.

In some cases, Soviet airmen dropped stones instead of bombs, reports to this effect being received from various points between Abo and Helsinki.

At the same time, the Finns are husbanding their munitions and training their weapons much more carefully than the Soviets. Indeed, for effective damage caused, it is now estimated that the Soviets have to fire 100 shells for every one shell Finnish gunners fire.—Havas.

Soviets Enter Battered Sulis of Summa

Helsinki, Yesterday.

Soviet patrols are believed to have entered the battered wreck of Summa, once was the city of Summa, in the Karelian Isthmus. The Finnish military authorities say that the Finns have taken up new positions behind the town and are doing their utmost to stem the advance.

Soviet casualties in the past few days in this sector alone are believed to be nearly 10,000. There has been renewed activity on the Salla front, where Finnish ski patrols have penetrated behind the Soviet lines and are harassing Soviet communication and supply lines. Soviet tanks north of Lake Ladoga were repulsed.—Reuter.

MOSCOW CLAIMS

Moscow, Yesterday.

Moscow claims to have captured 53 advance fortifications, including artillery posts, in the Mannerheim Line and to have shot down six Finnish aeroplanes in combat yesterday.—Reuter.

500 PLANES BOMB DEFENCE POSITIONS

Stockholm, Yesterday.

On Friday, 500 Soviet aeroplanes bombed Finnish defence posts, according to reports reaching here, and the Finnish position is regarded as serious.

It is felt that only by super-human efforts can the Finns stand up to the terrible battering they are now receiving.—Reuter.

FRENCH WEAPONS IN FINLAND

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.

French aeroplanes and guns are doing good service in Finland against the Soviets, reports "Le Journal."—Havas.

ALL ATTACKS REPULSED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Helsinki, Yesterday.

Reports from the front on Friday afternoon said that all further attacks by the Soviets in the Karelian Isthmus during the day were driven back.

Finnish aeroplanes were successful during the day and shot down 34 Soviet bombers.

The general impression is that Soviet pressure has relaxed and that, on the whole, the offensive has abated.—Havas.

NINE MORE U-BOAT PRISONERS

London, Yesterday.

The War Office has announced the names of nine more U-boat prisoners who are now prisoners of war in Britain.—British Wireless.

BERLIN TO REJECT PROTEST

Berlin, Yesterday.

It is indicated here that Berlin will reject the Netherlands protest, and demand for compensation, over the torpedoing by a U-boat last week of the Burgerdijk. The protest, according to authoritative circles here, "is not warranted by the facts."

Indeed, Berlin circles are annoyed at the Dutch protest and make no secret of their indignation.

According to these quarters, the torpedoing of the Burgerdijk conformed with every provision of international law. The attitude of the Netherlands Government is "entirely un-neutral," say these quarters.—Reuter.

The Burgerdijk, it will be recalled, was torpedoed by a U-boat on Saturday last. She carried a cargo wholly intended for Dutch Government or private use, and was bound from America to Holland; she did not intend calling at any belligerent port.

THE COST OF LIVING

London, Yesterday.

On February 1 the official cost of living index figure was three points, or 1.75 per cent, higher than a month earlier.

In the retail price of food the index figure had risen four points, or two and a half per cent.

This was mainly due to the rise in the price of meat, fish, potatoes, cheese and eggs, and except in the case of meat the hard weather conditions were an influencing factor.—British Wireless.

Reuter adds that a record high level of 177, compared with 100 in 1914 and 185 when war began, was reached by the cost of living index on February 1.

'AXIS' VS. LAW

Rome, Yesterday.

The complete falsity of Germany's "legal basis" for her claim to sink neutral shipping in Allied waters is shown by an Italian authority on international law, who was Professor of Admiralty Law in the University of Rome and is now director in charge of Maritime Bibliography in Rome.

No such right as that claimed by Germany could exist, he declares in an interview, in view of the principle that a neutral ship cannot be held responsible for actions imposed on it by a belligerent.—Reuter.

NEW YORK EMERGING FROM BLIZZARD

New York, Yesterday.

Between 60 and 70 lives were lost, and a great deal of property wrecked or ruined, in the blizzard which hit the New England states during the middle of the week.

Air, rail and main highway traffic are all back to normal again, however, save for some of the outlying country districts. The fact that the latter are still blocked may cause the supply of milk to New York to be curtailed for a day or so.—Reuter.

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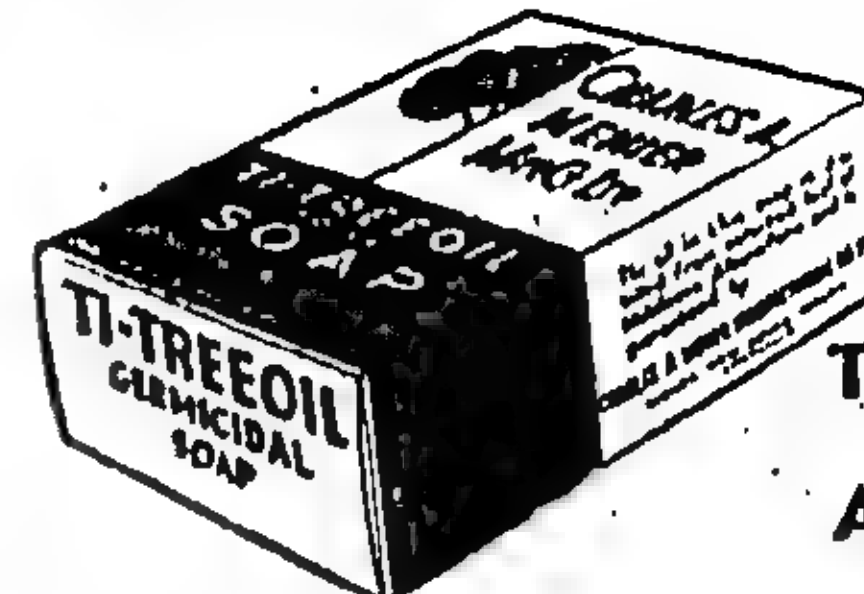
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Heavy Penalties For Wilful Evasion: Right Of Appeal

BOARD OF INLAND REVENUE TO BE FORMED

CREATION OF A BOARD OF INLAND REVENUE OF FIVE MEMBERS, OF WHOM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY WILL BE THE PRINCIPAL, IS ONE OF THE FEATURES OF THE BILL DRAFTED ON THE BASIS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WAR REVENUE COMMITTEE.

Only one of the four additional members may be an official in the employ of the Government.

An oath of secrecy taken before a Justice of the Peace will be required of every person appointed or employed to assist in carrying out the provisions of the new Ordinance.

The four taxes embodied in the draft Bill are, as foreshadowed in the "Sunday Herald" last week: Property Tax, Salaries Tax, Corporation Profits Tax and Business Profits Tax.

PROPERTY TAX

Property tax will be charged on the owner of any land and/or buildings wherever situate in the Colony at the rate of five per cent. per annum on the net annual value of such land and/or buildings as assessed for rating purposes under the Rating Ordinance, 1901. Provided that where no assessment has been made under that Ordinance, the annual value will be the rent which a tenant may reasonably be expected, taking one year with another, to pay for such land and/or buildings.

Property tax will be payable in the first place by the person, whether owner, agent or occupier, who normally pays the assessed rates in respect of the land and/or buildings taxed. Where such payment is made by any person other than the owner of the property then the amount so paid by way of property tax shall be a debt due from the owner and recoverable as such from any moneys due to him.

*** The operative clause would appear to be "in the first place," suggesting that there is nothing to prevent an owner from passing on the tax to the tenant.

SALARIES TAX

The salaries tax, in its operation, is analysed above.

The following will be exempt—The official emoluments of the Governor.

The official emoluments of consuls, vice-consuls and persons employed on the staff of any consulate who are subjects or citizens of the States which they represent;

The income of any individual whose total income does not exceed \$4,800.

Any income liable to income tax in the United Kingdom or any other part of the British Empire.

Income includes the rental value of free quarters.

No provision is made for allowances respecting dependents other than wife and children or step-children.

CORPORATION PROFITS TAX

Corporation Profits Tax will be charged, at the rate of ten per cent. on every corporation carrying on trade or business in the Colony on the full amount of the profits of such trade or business which are made from transactions within the Colony.

No deductions are permitted for expenditure of a capital nature or the cost of any improvements.

Deduction of Property Tax from Profits Tax is permissible.

BUSINESS PROFITS TAX

Five per cent. on profits in excess of \$10,000 up to \$100,000. Ten per cent. on profits in excess of \$100,000.

The tax is subject to the same restrictions as regards deductions as C.P.T. and the same allowances, as for instance, for depreciation, writings down of discarded plant, machinery or fixtures, and for bad or doubtful debts.

A non-resident owner of a business will be assessed either directly or in the name of his agent.

RETURNS

The Bill provides that an Examiner appointed under the Ordinance may give notice in writing to any person requiring him within a

reasonable time, to be stated in the notice, to furnish a return of any sum assessable to the new taxes.

Such person may be required to produce deeds, books, accounts, stock lists, etc.

Employers may be required to state the amount of the remuneration, whether in cash or otherwise, of all persons in their employ.

Trustees will be answerable as individuals.

ASSESSMENTS

An Examiner may accept a return and make an assessment accordingly, or estimate the correct amount and assess the taxpayer accordingly.

The Examiner may assess a person at any time if he is of opinion that he is about to leave the Colony.

Appeals against assessments may be made to the Commissioner within 21 days of the notice of such assessment, and the appellant must state precisely the grounds of his objection.

In case of appeal, inquiry will first be made by an Examiner, and if no agreement is reached the appellant will be required to attend before the Commissioner.

The right of further appeal to a Board of Review is embodied in the Bill. There will be a panel of 20 members appointed by the Governor for three years, and three or more members of the panel will hear appeals, two forming a quorum.

All appeals will be heard in camera, and the onus of proof will be on the appellant.

The decision of the Board will be final, unless there is an application for the statement of a case on a question of law for the opinion of the Supreme Court.

PAYMENT OF TAX

The date for payment of tax due will be specified in the notices of assessment.

Penalties for infringements of the provisions of the Ordinance, for making incorrect returns without reasonable excuse, will not exceed, on summary conviction, a fine of \$500 and payment of the tax undercharged in consequence of the incorrect statement.

The penal provisions, which cover wilful intent to evade tax, by false statements or entries, false books, etc. include liability on summary conviction to a maximum fine of \$300 and three times the amount of the tax liable and to imprisonment for six months and to imprisonment for six months and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding three years.

DOG SHOW RULING

Sir, — There appears to be a certain amount of misunderstanding among Residents in Kowloon who are intending Exhibitors in the forthcoming Dog Show that it is necessary for their Dogs to be sent to Hong Kong for their Anti-Rabies Injection.

Anti-Rabies Injections can be given at any time on any day by a qualified Veterinary Surgeon on application to the Military Veterinary Hospital, Whitfield Barracks, or to L. F. Reidy Esq., Mataukok Slaughter House up to 10 a.m. Certificates issued by a Veterinary Surgeon MUST in all cases accompany the Entry Forms.

H. M. Howells, Hon. Sec., Hong Kong Dog Show.

The Hong Kong English Forum held their annual dinner at St. Francis Hotel last evening.



The damaged stern of the E-sang which was in collision with the Hong Kong Interport team's boat in the vicinity of Woosung.

KOWLOON WELFARE CENTRE

An additional welfare centre has now been established on the mainland, and the "Sunday Herald" understands that it is planned to provide extensive facilities for the treatment of social diseases in the near future.

The centre is located in part of the building formerly housing the Central British School in Nathan Road.

GERMAN CENSOR MYSTERY

A local resident who received a letter from Tsing-tao the other day was considerably startled to find that it had been opened and read by a German censor.

The appearance of the official "chop" gave rise to all sorts of questions, not the least of which concerned the startling possibility that the Nazis are being permitted to censor letters emanating from Japanese-occupied China.

The mystery, as a mystery, still exists, but the "Sunday Herald," as a result of investigations and enquiries in various official circles, has discovered one explanation which, by virtue of its simplicity, may well be the correct one.

The letter, addressed to Hong Kong, carries on the back an official seal, similar to those used by the British and French censors, but bearing the word "Geprüfelt," together with a seal consisting of the Nazi eagle superimposed on a Swastika, together with the words "Ober-Commando der Wehrmacht."

This, translated, means "Censored (Geprüfelt)" by the "Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces." On the front of the letter appears another stamped chop, reading "Zurück Postperre," which, paraphrased, means "Return (or Forward) Post free."

A local censorship official suggested that possibly the Japanese in Tsing-tao had permitted a German military post to be established there, hence the official seal.

Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Postmaster-General, told the "Sunday Herald" that he knew nothing of any such German censorship in Tsing-tao, and suggested that possibly the letter went astray and came to Hong Kong via Germany.

This seems to be the most feasible answer to the problem. The hand-written address might well confuse a busy Chinese clerk into reading "Hungary" for Hong Kong and popping it into the wrong bag.

If this is the case, the letter probably travelled to Hong Kong via Siberia and Germany, quite a long 6-cents journey!

SUBSTANTIAL RISE IN COLONY'S SURPLUS

An increase in ordinary revenue over the same eleven-months' period from \$32,352,715 to \$36,151,858 is shown in the Colony's accounts published yesterday.

Expenditure in the same period increased from \$31,193,177 to \$33,855,416.

With land sales etc. included, the Colony's surplus balances have increased during the period by over \$4,000,000.

Authorities contemplate erecting a new mortuary near the waterfront at Yau-mat.

The new mortuary will probably be equipped with a cooling chamber, similar to that at the Queen Mary Hospital mortuary.

MORTUARY TO MOVE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

RESIDENTS IN THE VICINITY OF WATERLOO ROAD AND NATHAN ROAD, WILL WELCOME THE NEWS THAT GOVERNMENT HAS NOW DECIDED TO TRANSFER THE MORTUARY TO A MORE SUITABLE PLACE.

It was learned yesterday that the

Black-Out Surprise Test Next Month

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")
THE COLONY'S second large-scale "black-out" test is to be staged on March 5, sometime after dusk, covering again the whole of the New Territories and all islands in the Colony's waters. This "black-out" will accompany the functioning of the newly-created post in the Air Raid Precautions Department—the Deputy Director of A.R.P., Mr. B. H. Puckle, D.S.O.

Mr. Puckle served in the Great War as a commander of a machine-gun battalion, and came for the first time out to the East in 1920. For the last 14 years he has been attached to the Jardine's Engineering Corporation in Shanghai.

Issuing his first notification yesterday in connection with the forthcoming "black-out" exercise, Mr. Puckle told the "Sunday Herald" that the date for the next "daylight air-raid" exercise has not yet been fixed. It will most probably take place some time in the latter part of March, he said.

MIMIC RAIDS

It is understood that as in the previous exercise, several R.A.F. planes will stage mimic air-raids on the Colony, while restrictions will be placed on all traffic on land and water with the possibility of the harbour being closed for a short period.

The notification issued yesterday by the Deputy Director of Air Raid Precautions was as follows:

SURPRISE TACTICS

The Director of Air Raid Precautions announces that a blackout exercise will be held on the night of Tuesday, March 5, but the actual time will not be published.

Previous blackout exercises have generally commenced at 9 p.m. In the evenings, but it would be unwise if the general public to assume that his or future exercises will be held at this hour.

In order to comply with the Lighting Control Regulations, the general public should, if they have not already done so, purchase now the necessary material to black out their premises, and if possible put their darkening scheme through a trial test before the 5th March, 1940, and thus satisfy themselves that their scheme of darkening will meet the requirements of the Lighting Control regulations.

P.W.D. CLUB DANCE

The annual Supper Dance and Cabaret Show of the Public Works Recreation Club will be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday next from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote.

An excellent Cabaret Show has been arranged, including Chinese songs and dances by Miss Violet, the well-known Chinese cinema star and actress; a dancing display by Miss Nellie Fields and partner; conjuring by Mr. L. Williamson; toe dance by little Miss Helen Lung, pupil of Miss Daisy O'Keefe; Yorkshire dialogue by Mr. Kossick; Indian and up dances by Mr. Manak and partner, and the Swing Kitties' Harmonica Band.

Tickets including supper, may be obtained from Messrs. Moutrie & Co. or the Hon. Secretary, Public Works Recreation Club, c/o P.W.D. Tickets may also be obtained and tables booked at the Reception Offices of the Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel. Half the proceeds will go to the British War Organisation Fund.

SUPPER DANCE

Members of the Diocesan Old Girls' Association and the Diocesan School Old Boys' Association are reminded that the annual combined supper dance will be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tickets at \$2.00 per head are obtainable from members of the respective committees.

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P.W.D. AND ILLEGAL BUILDINGS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Misapprehension of the intention behind the new form powers granted the Public Works Department, to take possession of and demolish illegal structures on private and Crown agricultural land, was removed yesterday as a result of inquiries by the "Sunday Herald."

It is understood that Government has decided that the substantial residences illegally erected on agricultural ground, chiefly near Kowloon City, are definitely not to be pulled down.

Steps are now being taken for the private agricultural land, on which these buildings now stand, to be re-entered by Government, and it has been decided that, after re-entry, temporary accommodation permits will be granted by the Public Works Department for all such residential buildings which come up to, or can be brought up to, a certain minimum standard of sanitary requirements.

These permits will probably be renewed annually while present housing conditions obtain in Hong Kong.

RE-ENTRY INTENTION

As regards other illegal structures such as matsheds and wooden huts, all these without exception, are to be demolished whether on Crown land or private land.

As in the case of private land on which the substantial buildings referred to above are erected, all private land on which illegal huts and matsheds stand will soon become Crown land by re-entry—for breach of sale conditions which prohibited the erection of buildings on agricultural land without special permission.

The huts and sheds will then be pulled down, and the occupants will be given a choice of re-entering one of the Government refugee camps, re-erecting their huts on one of two or three specially prepared areas (with water laid on and latrines provided by Government) in outlying districts, finding accommodation in tenements or being repatriated to China.

A successful dance in aid of relief funds was given at Hotel Cecil by the Hong Kong Government Trained Teachers Association last night.

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PRIVATE FACES IN PUBLIC PLACES

Lt.-Commander And
Mrs. McGlynn

WHEN the U.S. gunboat *Mindanao* was transferred to Hong Kong from Sharnen (Canton) recently, her commander was more than a little pleased. To Lt.-Commander J. J. McGlynn it meant reunion with his family, some time to spend with his lovely wife, his eight-year old daughter, his twelve-year old son. If the commander of such a ship leads a roving life, his family, too, becomes inured to hol-

inda it comfortable, he sends word to his family to come along.

a great deal of travel could a man bring his family along?

Cassidy recalls vividly the tense anxiety of that winter, the unusually severe weather which added to the war-time hazards, the Com-

modore remembers with justified pride that his Navy transported

got nothing on the hotels here, in point of comfort or service!

ANIMATELY they tell of the grand time they had during the Lunar New Year, when they

TAKE Hong Kong, for example.

Mrs. McGlynn, on her first visit here, thinks it fascinatingly beautiful. The view from the Peak she holds to be one of the grandest in the world, at least those considerable parts of it she has visited thus far. She confesses being enthralled by the East, this being her first trip in our direction. Stationed at Shanghai since last March, Hong Kong by contrast seems restful and uncrowded, and though she does admit missing the shopping, the theatres, the northern metropolis, there are other sights, sounds and things to do here which amply compensate, among which she mentions the Fair, the circus, the aforementioned Peak, the Lido and our unique Thieves' Market.



Lt.-Commander J. J. and Mrs. McGlynn, with daughter Patricia.

THE Commander remarks that he is much impressed by the tremendous triumph of engineer-



Commodore R. E. Cassidy.

ing sail, figuratively speaking, and away to the next stop.

AT ease in his Peninsula suite, comfortable in civilian clothes, Lt.-Commander McGlynn explained that his ship, like others of the fleet, is generally assigned to a station for two and a half years at a time. Thus he has made a complete circuit round the globe, has seen almost any port you could name, and is now on his fourth stay in the Orient. As soon as he ties his ship up, surveys the port and

ing presented by the Colony. Carving a city right into the mountain-side, having out excellent roads and paths, fitting the whole into the natural advantages of the harbour formation—"It's some piece of work," says Mr. McGlynn appreciatively. As for the children, one may imagine how the tedium of school is brightened, perhaps eliminated, by learning one's lessons amid new, exotic surroundings, with prospects of still more changes to come when daddy's ship moves on. In the meantime, little Patsy swings her golden braids over her books in a convent school, while young Brian adds to his education at La Salle school, when he is not pursuing his stamp-collecting hobby, or trying out on his parents, as on the occasion of our visit, with the family, the effects of a false moustache!

WHAT, then, makes an obviously home-loving man like Mr. McGlynn adopt the seafaring life? The commander replies that aside from his conviction that the U.S. Navy offers American boys finest career going, he just naturally loves to travel, and above all he loves the sea. No, this is not an inherited passion, since as far back as his family can trace, there have been no naval men; in the McGlynn family, in fact, he is the pioneer sailor. Trains, planes, buses, horses—he'll move along by those, but given his choice, he'll take the seashores every time!

AND he goes on to expound the opportunities presented to young men joining the Navy. Just think, he says, fifty-seven trades are taught in the naval schools and academies; taught in practice, as well as in theory, so that each graduate emerges thoroughly skilled. Nor are the professions neglected. Doctors, nurses, engineers both marine and civil, even lawyers schooled in international, naval, military, and civil law are produced in these academies. Thus every miniature floating city that constitutes a large naval ship is manned throughout, as regards officers and men alike, by a distribution nicely calculated to avoid monotony. What other university, he adds, provides its students with cruises to foreign lands, shows them the nations and peoples who make up this world we live in? And in what other profession calling for

OF the storms he and his ship at sea participated in, the Commander will not speak, though a rather grim smile lights his eye at the mention, and he comments that he, then in the command of U.S.S. Bulmer, berthed in port Mindanao at the time the last typhoon swirled around Hong Kong, so that was one bit of excitement he managed to avoid. His China assignments up to now have stationed him mostly in the North, in the ports of Shanghai, Tientsin, Chefoo. He remarks that the people of North China are considerably taller than those of the South, where his own six feet of height seem to tower. Too, there might be some differences of climate between North and South China, though not very noticeable on the extremely chilly day of our conversation. That day, in fact, the apartment of this roving family was being warmed by a small, cosy electric heater, and someone wondered why Hong Kong hotels and homes are not fitted out with central heating? Since nobody knew the answer, everybody had to be content with the reflection that, after all, according to the atlas, Hong Kong is within the tropics, and who could imagine central heating in the tropics!

Commodore Cassidy

SEATED in the Trans-Lux, a Broadway movie theatre de-



Left to right: Peggy Sharp, Lara Tessa, Joan Old, Sheila Reere, Winifred Raven, Jeannette Thompson, Sheila Baskett, Jacqueline Thompson, Mrs. Langley and Wendy Anslow. At St. Valentine's Day Supper held on Wednesday at the Peninsula Hotel, these hostesses partnered guests to help the Funds of The British War Organisation and Chinese Soldiers Relief Work. Between them \$250 was collected at \$1 a dance. Prizes were given to the girls who danced most dances during the night: the winners were Miss Jacqueline Thompson, 1st 28 dances; Miss Jeannette Thompson, 24 dances; Miss Janie Weller, 23 dances; Miss Dorothy Raven, 21 dances; and Mrs. Langley, 20 dances.

voted to news reels and short subjects, Commodore R.E. and Mrs. Cassidy watched with keen interest a technicolour travel film describing Hong Kong. Having sailed the Atlantic and the Mediterranean, having seen and lived in England, Scotland, France, Spain, Danzig, Armenia, Denmark, Sweden, Constantinople, they were wishing for an assignment that would bring them East. That was early last February and since wishes do come true occasionally, the end of September saw them leaving San Francisco, Hong Kong bound, the Commodore having been named to the command of Uncle Sam's South China Patrol. And Hong Kong, they both admit, has more than lived up to the enchantment promised by that ship of coloured, sound-animated film viewed six months ago in New York.

THE Commodore, whose official title is Captain, started his sailing days in 1907, upon graduation from Annapolis, the Maryland naval academy. A cruise through the Straits of Magellan was followed by a period of patrolling the east coast of South America. Then came seven years on the West Coast, where in 1910 he met, wooed and won the gracious Mrs. Cassidy, who, as she says, joined the Navy then and has roamed the world with her husband ever since.

SERVING on destroyers, cruisers and battleships, the Great War found Captain Cassidy officiating the gun crew of the U.S.S. North Carolina, conveying American troops to Europe. While Mrs.

more than a million troops across the Atlantic without the loss of a single ship.

OF storms at sea, some so violent that men and bonts were washed overboard, the Commodore has had an ample portion. In fact, says he, if his experience is any guide, the seas are more often rough than calm. And this holds true the world over, so that, as he puts it, "When there's a seventy-mile gale blowing up, all seas look alike." Yet given his life to live over again, he would once more join the brotherhood of those who go down to sea in ships, a passion perhaps implanted in him by the seafaring traditions of his native New England.

HERE in Hong Kong the couple have been experiencing a sustained exhilaration. Scenes and activities familiar to long-time residents present themselves with the full challenge of novelty to the newcomer, particularly to people who, like these two, are possessed of a lively imagination. Says the Captain, "I wish I were a writer." And he goes on to describe, in a style which could easily bear transposing on to paper, an incident witnessed recently at Kowloon post office. There he beheld a small boy, not more than six years old, staggering along with a chubby infant tied to his back. At the post office the lad, tired but apparently keenly aware of his responsibility for the younger child, decided to stop for a rest. Carefully he

SO youthful is the frank enthusiasm of this couple that their mention of a grandchild comes as something of a shock. But they laugh, and display in proof of their grandparent status photographs of their daughter, married to a Navy officer now stationed in Boston, and of their small granddaughter. Separated by half a continent and a whole ocean, contact is maintained, naturally, by letter. And the Commodore and Mrs. Cassidy speak of the thrill of receiving on the twelfth of February a letter mailed by their daughter in Boston on the fourth day of the month, the same having been whisked across the sea in that incredibly short space of eight days.

WHAT, we were tempted to ask, would they miss the most from their homeland during their two-year station in the East. And both replied, they miss only that remarkable "Information Please" radio programme broadcast from New York, a programme in which

lowered himself to the pavement on knees and hands, moving gently so as not to dislodge his burden, until finally he was fully relaxed, face down on the pavement, while the infant rested on his back, face against his head. And soon both were sunk in that deep, unconscious slumber of childhood, blissfully unaware of passersby or the world without.

AND Mrs. Cassidy speaks of the impressive combination of mountains and sea, the grandeur of the sunsets, the awe-inspiring bulk of the Peak viewed at night. Raised in San Francisco and long an interested student of the incomparable Chinatown of that city, she does not feel too alien in Hong Kong. Then she stops to comment on the comfort of the Peninsula Hotel where the couple are stopping until a Peak apartment is readied for their two-year stay here. "Back home," she laughs, "people have an idea that life is tough, crude out here, something like camping out. Well, I've lived in hotels in Europe and in the States, and I can tell you they've

that town's wildest, best informed and most humorous people are quizzed on topics as diversified as the geographic boundaries of Transylvania, the circumstances under which Beethoven wrote the Ninth Symphony, or the habits of the Arctic ptarmigan.

COMMENTING on this programme, they were led to speak of their four years in New York. Coming at first to that city, they received the impression of a cold, indifferent, hurrying, almost inhuman mass of humanity. But stay there for a while, they say, live in that city, wait until the Christmas season arrives. "And then," says Mrs. Cassidy, "When you see these same people, so icy, so intent on their own pressing business; rushing in and out of a throbbing travel terminus like Grand Central pausing to stand and sing a Christmas carol; when you learn that not too far below the surface they are warm and friendly and human, then you begin to understand New York."

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"It Is Probable That Germany Needs Peace Badly"

The Sumner Welles Mission

THERE is something peculiar about American politics. On the one hand it is proclaimed from the house tops that the United States must keep out of the war in obedience to the demand of the isolationists, and also of the fifteen million American mothers who say they did not go through the Valley of the Shadow in order to hand their sons over to be butchered in a European War and, on the other, there is this intense and active interest in European affairs.

Europe is front page news in America to-day; it displaces domestic politics, the New Deal and everything else. One would have thought that isolationism, which is the accepted policy, would have been more effectively maintained, if there had been also some form of insulation whereby European war news was excluded from the American press, and if people performed the daily round and common task without these foreign distractions. The American clamour to be left alone by his European relatives, and then refuses to let them alone. He insists upon military and naval isolation and upon participation in the European political controversies.

The real fact of the matter is that where there is a major interest the American must share it, and even get the lion's share of it, for he has an insatiable appetite for what is new and exciting, but apart from that America is Europe transplanted, with all the different racial traditions persisting, though masked by outward conformity to the requirement of the Constitution. There are twenty million people of German extraction in the United States and of course there are millions of Anglo-Saxon stocks. There is in normal times a romantic interest in European life, and the annual exodus from the United States shows how strong the craving is for renewing contacts with the original home, especially on the part of those who have made a success of life in the new world. There is however something more than the mere desire to show off wealth and to talk of the brave new world across the water; there is the deeper homing instinct, the longing for acquaintance with the old tradition in the native country. The human being in America elsewhere looks back as well as forward, and is starved if he is deprived of the historic past in its proper setting. The cultural tradition demands that those who belong to it shall periodically render homage by worshipping at the shrine in Europe.

Isolation Impossible

The citizens of America whether they like it or not cannot in any sense of the word be isolationist for their interests are so deeply interwoven with those of their countries of origin. The respective nations in America are watching the conflict in Europe in no mood of detachment. The attempt to shut out the European war is merely an indication of the fear that prevails with regard to it. If the Anglo-Saxon ideal goes down before the onslaught of Nazism and Bolshevism, then obviously the tradition which has been dominant in U.S.A. must be gravely undermined. As a way of life if it fails in Europe it cannot survive elsewhere, since there are the latent forces of other traditions in the U.S.A., which must find expression. So far then from destroying democracy in the U.S.A. by trying to preserve it in Europe for the Allies, as Col. Lindbergh suggests, it is clear that the democrat cannot hold up his head in America, if his fellow democrat in Europe has to bow his.

America now is more concerned about the war in Europe than the isolationist thinks. It is clearly because of this that President Roosevelt is sending Sumner Welles to find out whether it is possible to secure peace before the full and terrifying conflict really breaks out in the Spring.

It may be that the Americans do not realize how profoundly the allies feel about the repeated outrages perpetrated by Hitler and his party though the sacrifices that are being made should bring conviction. If ever any war was a national war this is one. It is more — it is an Empire war which has summoned forth the millions to defend the nation and its ideals of freedom by every kind of personal service and financial sacrifice. A government which imposes an income tax of 1/6 in the pound upon the moneyed classes is obviously not protecting the interests

of the wealthy at the expense of the poor. The fact that the labour party is as enthusiastic in supporting the national cause in war as other parties, and further the spontaneous offer of help from the Dominions already accepted and in process of being fulfilled, furnishes clear proof to the United States that this is a war that touches the British people in its most vital part. The war is a crusade for the restoration of the rights of the individual in the totalitarian states and the preservation of them in the democratic states. If the American people will get that idea firmly established in their mind and if they can secure a real and guaranteed peace within the framework of such ideals, then the peace

BY "CIVIS"

will be welcome, but if, as seems, most likely they come to realize the sincerity, earnestness and determination of the Allies to maintain their position, and the unwillingness of the Germans to alter their standpoint, then there is no hope whatsoever that peace can be restored except by the destruction of one of the powers which back up the respective ideals. All the talk about pacifism and capitalism, about Bolshevism and war-mongers and so on, is of no significance compared with the major issue of freedom for the individual. The pacifist would be justified in his attitude if he were surrendering his weapons, without fighting, to a higher and nobler authority, but we are too deeply convinced about the essential evil of the Nazi system to make any such surrender.

The Liberal Point Of View

The coldness of the German reception of the news about Mr. Sumner Welles is in contrast with the welcome accorded to it in Britain and France. It is assumed and rightly that America must embrace the liberal point of view, and must demand from Germany the surrender of Poland, Czechoslovakia, and the right of Austria to decide her own form of government. It is assumed and rightly that Germany must cease persecuting her minorities. If that is achieved then a guaranteed peace is possible, and Germany's grievances in other directions will be considered. It is hard to believe, however that the relevant facts are not already known, and still harder to believe that the Allies will modify their demands. Unless there is some unknown factor in the German situation, a strong movement for instance to eliminate Hitler and his creed, it is not reasonable to assume that peace is possible. Could the United States bring to bear on the belligerents a great deal of pressure to make them settle their differences? On the Allies, she could threaten the withholding of supplies, and to the Germans she might threaten active participation in the war on the Allied side, but she has already agreed to the former in asserting that she is not neutral at heart, though she is in law, and she is precluded from the latter by her declared policy of isolation and neutrality.

Has America got some secret weapon for bringing about peace, and if so what is the nature of it? Is it something in the form of a promise, or is it something in the nature of a threat? Is Mr. Sumner Welles going to entreat, persuade, or invite the unreasonable belligerent to be reasonable or is he going to threaten dire penalties if he is recalcitrant.

If this mission of Mr. Sumner Welles is undertaken with the object of persuading Germany to abandon her present policy the prospect of success is bleak, and it is still more hopeless if the idea is to induce the Allies to modify their demands.

No Such Lofty Aim?

It may be however that Mr. Sumner Welles has no such lofty aims, but is merely setting out to explore the position and possibly to furnish the President with that kind of information which falls to filter through normal diplomatic channels. It is almost certain that his visit will have as little success as far as the Allies are concerned, as the peace appeal of the Netherlands and Belgium recently. It is a terrible thing for a big nation like Germany to go down in defeat a second time in 21 years, and doubtless there are many in Germany who realize the probability of such a catastrophe. The recognition of the hopelessness of

the struggle, the impossibility of destroying the British Empire, the failure of the U-bon campaign, the growing strength of the Allies, the privations now being endured—all these things are and have been present in the minds of German people.

It is probable that Germany wants peace badly. She begged Russia to secure it for her after the rape of Poland. Molotov did his best to persuade the Allies by using certain threats. Then it is generally believed that Queen Wilhelmina was acting under orders from Berlin when she invited the Allies to a peace conference. Can it be that Hitler is now seeking the good offices of the most powerful of the neutrals in this cause, while pretending that he is not the least bit interested. It is not likely on the face of it, but on the other hand there must be a growing conviction that the situation will be desperate unless a victory on the field is gained very soon. The hazards of war are too well-known, and the opposition of the greater part of the world is too obvious for Germany to feel comfortable. The memory of 1918 haunts Germany and it is that fear of destruction and degradation that holds her together now.



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GERMANY'S SECRET PLAN FOR BELGIAN INVASION: REMARKABLE DISCLOSURES

'YARD' START PRO-NAZI ROUND-UP

London, Yesterday.
Following the conviction of two young Fascists under the defence regulations at Exeter officers of the Special Branch of Scotland Yard started a nationwide comb-out of men employed at vital defence centres. Files at Scotland Yard on which appear the names of men and women of known German and Nazi sympathies have been carefully scrutinised. The credentials of travellers from neutral countries will in future undergo strict supervision. Measures to stifle the leakage of secret information are likely to include the strengthening of police and military supervision at dockyards, munition factories, aircraft factories and similar centres.—Our Own Correspondent.

London, Yesterday.
FURTHER DETAILS have been disclosed of the contents of the German secret plan for the invasion of Belgium which fell into the hands of the Belgian High Command after a German plane had made a forced landing at Meechen-sur-Meuse.

It can be asserted, without fear of denial, that this voluminous document consisted of a detailed and minutely particularised plan to carry out the invasion within a very short space of time.

Careful inquiries were made to ascertain whether the dossier might not be a "plant," designed to carry on the war of nerves against neutral States. This hypothesis was definitely rejected.

Among the information contained in the papers was a list of the supposed dispositions of all the Belgian units.

One section of the dossier gave notes on the character and psychological make-up of the officer commanding each Belgian army corps which was to be attacked by an opposing German unit.

Weak Points Indicated

One officer was described as "hard," another as "soft," a third was characterised as "having swift reactions," a fourth as possessing a "defensive temperament," a fifth was said to be "hesitant," and a sixth "endowed with great initiative."

The position of each headquarters, even of the smallest units, was exactly indicated.

The most important information given in the dossier, besides a list of the divisions secretly sent to the West, was a survey of the weakest points in the Belgian defences.

The German General Staff laid particular emphasis on that part of the Meuse between Huy and Andenne, where they considered it would be comparatively easy to force a passage of the river between the fortresses of Liege and Namur, with the object of afterwards taking the strong position of the Albert Canal from the rear.

Whv Plan Fell Through

Belgian official quarters no longer deny the exceptional importance of these documents. It is even stated in these circles, though the papers mentioned no date for the offensive, that Belgium was within an ace of being attacked on the night of Saturday, Jan. 13.

It is pointed out, moreover, that the huge German concentrations on the Belgian and Dutch frontiers had taken up positions which would have enabled them to launch an attack at any moment.

There are good grounds for believing that the reason why Belgium escaped being attacked was that the Germans had lost the advantage of surprise with the capture of the now famous dossier.

probable that the Junkers JU 88 medium bomber will be much in evidence.

The Germans are building this type in large numbers, but it is not certain that any of them have approached the British coast.

Generally speaking, the enemy has not employed the most up-to-date aircraft in the minor operations of which so far his air action has consisted.

SELF-SEALING PETROL TANKS

Before the war the JU 88 set up a weight-carrying speed record by flying with a load of 1½ tons a distance of 621 miles at a speed of 321 m.p.h. It was claimed, also, that it flew at 311 m.p.h. for 1,243 miles.

Its performance, when fitted with guns and other military equipment, is said to include a maximum speed of 315 m.p.h. and a cruising speed of 265 m.p.h., with a range of about 1,300 miles.

The German machine carries a crew of three or four, and has three guns positions, one in the nose and one above and one below the fuselage. Armour or deflector plates are probably fitted for the protection of vital parts and crew, and there are self-sealing petrol tanks.—Our Own Correspondent.

SOVIET AMBITION IN SCANDINAVIA: REVEALING MAP

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

SOVIET RUSSIA'S aspirations in Scandinavia have been revealed by the circulation in Russia of postcards showing a "new map" of northern Europe, one of which has been smuggled out of Moscow to Stockholm.

This postcard, which purports to show the deal arranged between Nazi Foreign Minister Ribbentrop and Soviet Foreign Commissar Molotov in Moscow, follows the technique of the "new map of Europe" distributed by the Nazis showing the incorporation of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland in a new Greater Germany years before this actually happened.

As the Nazi forecast has come true Scandinavians fear that the Russian map represents Soviet Russia's real aims in the north.

Scandinavia, according to the map, has been divided by Ribbentrop and Molotov into German and Russian spheres of interest.

When Denmark, south Sweden and north Norway become an "independent protectorate" under German influence, Russia gets all northern Sweden and Norway lying north of the Arctic Circle.

The line between the two spheres of interest runs just north of the head of the Gulf of Bothnia. Boden, Sweden's main fortress in the north, comes in the German sphere.

Possession of these territories would give Russia the important Swedish iron ore deposits, 9,000,000 tons of which go yearly to Germany. She would also receive the ice-free Norwegian port of Narvik on the Atlantic.

If the Soviet plan comes true Stalin will realise the old dream of Russia's Czars—a direct outlet to the Atlantic in the west instead of being bottled up in the Baltic.

PAPER DISOWNED

Some of the Soviet postcards are reported to have come into the

BRITAIN'S CRACK NEW FIGHTER

London, Yesterday.

A new technique in air defence is introduced by the British B. and P. "Defiant" two-seat fighter, which is already in service. Fitted with a Rolls-Royce "Merlin" engine of 1,000 h.p., it is equipped with a power-driven turret with a battery of guns.

Fighter planes have developed principally on the lines of the fast, rapid-climbing, high-altitude, single-seater machine. This usually attacks from behind or below, and because the guns are fixed, must itself be aimed at its opponent.

The "Defiant" carries several guns, and, owing to its movable turret, can fire broadside or at any angle to its line of flight. Thus its gunner can bring fire to bear against an opponent's vulnerable points.

If a big air offensive is launched against this country it is highly

MEANS TO PUT US ALL TO SLEEP!

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

MANY GERMANS believe witchcraft and not armed might will win the war for the Reich, says Dr. Helge Knudsen, Berlin correspondent of the Copenhagen newspaper, Berlingske Tidende in a despatch from Germany.

He writes: "You can meet quite reasonable and level-headed Germans who believe seriously in modern magic. They are convinced that Hitler has a magic trick to use."

"Some think it is a freezing process, which can turn the British Isles into a block of ice. Others are convinced he has a new sort of gas

which will be spread over Britain by his airman, and will put everybody to sleep for a fortnight."

"In these two weeks Britain will be conquered. The British will wake up unharmed from their drug-induced sleep to find that their islands are occupied by Germany's field-grey troops."—Havas.



WITH THE BRITISH TROOPS IN FRANCE—A Company commander and Section leaders of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment study a plan of the area ahead while the rest of the patrol remain on the alert. (Air Mail, Copyright).

AN R.A.F. "ATLAS"

London, Yesterday.
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Aged 24 and a native of Carlisle, Atlas spent most of his childhood at Llandrindod Wells.

He joined a North Wales news-

REXIST SPY PLOT

A slight chance set the authorities on the track of the spy plot disclosed during the week by the arrest of two members of the Rexist Party, the Belgian Fascists.

French police arrested five Belgian workmen in France. The men were particularly interested in troop movements, and especially in the air bases near Maubeuge.

One of these men said he was in the pay of Bero, a prominent industrialist of Charleroi, Belgium, well known for his German commercial interests and his frequent journeys to Germany.

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The only forces which achieved marked results were those of the weather, which nearly succeeded in stopping the war, thereby bringing upon itself a strongly worded protest signed by eight of our most patriotic bishops.

As a retort to the article in the "Hamburger Illustrierte," in which Nelson's acts of piracy were given as examples of British naval methods, it is stated that the Ministry of In-

formation is having 10,000,000 leaflets printed for distribution on German soil, bearing a picture of Edward the Third pardoning the Burgurers of Calais.

These, of course, will supplement, not replace, the usual leaflets telling the German people they can have peace as soon as they have expelled Hitler and re-established the former Kingdoms of Austria, Bohemia, Wurttemberg and Saxony.

BERLIN-MOSCOW AXIS CRACKS AGAIN

The Keep Smiling Sub-Committee of the Home Propaganda Service of the Ministry of Information states that the relations between Russia and Germany continue to grow more strained, and that during the week ending January 20 the two Governments halted each other 2.7 per cent. more than in the corresponding period of last month.

Our Berlin Correspondent, writing from Truro, states that every time Stalin's name is mentioned Hitler lies on the floor and bites the carpet. In order to save carpet, of which there is, of course, a shortage in Germany, officials have orders when in the Fuehrer's presence always to refer to Stalin as "That Man."

Pig killings in Eire last week numbered 17,514, against 16,558 in the previous week. Maximum standard Lard prices: Irish bladders, 46s. to 54s.

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Melicious rumours are being circulated in Certain Quarters with the object of casting doubt upon the democratic spirit of the more highly placed officers of the British Army. It has even been said that the dis-

No Class Bias Now In the Army



missal of a certain Minister from the War Office was due to the unpopularity among the High Command of the policy of Democratisation of the Army, a word which, it is hoped, will be even longer in the next war.

These lies have now been nulled, these slanders exposed to public shame, in one of those characteristically British Free and Open Parliamentary debates in which, as always the Mists of Doubt were dispelled

and all that had been hidden was revealed.

Now that the Prime Minister has assured the nation that the Army is burning with democratic zeal, no responsible citizen will attach further credence to the base libels to which we have referred, nor accord them any but the contempt which they deserve.

It is now clear that there is no section of the community where the principles and spirit of True Democracy are so persistently upheld, and the privileges of wealth and birth held in such abhorrence, as in the upper ranks of the British Army.

It is true that in the past officers were recruited solely from certain social strata, and money was essential to the obtaining of a commission. But those days are gone. They have been gone for nearly a fortnight (Or-fact).

To-day, officers themselves are most emphatic in their demands that intelligence and capacity alone shall be the qualification for commission. Nowhere does one find this principle so vociferously maintained as in the Guards, the Lancasters and the Hussars, where the cry, "We Want More Brains!" is heard on every hand.

Equal opportunity for all, irrespective of income and social status, is the unanimous demand of the General Staff, and all officers subscribe heartily to the principle that every private soldier carries a Field-Marshal's moustache in his lodine pocket.

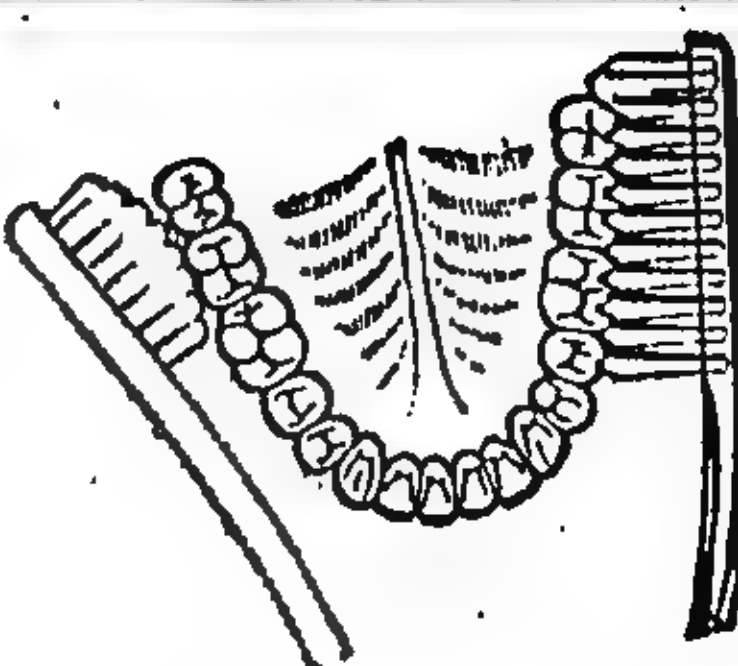
Indeed, in some crack regiments, such is their desire to demonstrate their lack of class bias, that officers will pretend to a proletarian origin which is not their own, and many a Colonel is now heard boasting that his father was a blastfurnaceman, a glass-blower, or even, when he is very imaginative, a die-sinker.

If further proof were needed of the equalitarian spirit now prevailing in the Army, we have it on the word of the Premier that the Minister in question was removed because of "his very great qualities."

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Is Air Truce To Be Permanent?

MR. L. S. AMERY, M.P., has openly advocated a cessation of the unofficial and informal Air Force truce and the substitution of an active raiding policy against the enemy.

Thus, he argued, if properly conducted, would shake German confidence and disorganise the national life of Germany; it would compel the Nazi Air Force to use up petrol and material in defence; it would provoke retaliatory measures over Britain, and thus use up still more petrol and material; and, lastly, these air attacks on Britain would harden the determination of our people.

Not The First

There is force and logic in the argument, however, inconsistent with our attitude would be the lifting of the ban on inland bombing, which has hitherto been tacitly observed. For better, or for worse, the efforts of our bombing squadrons have so far been mainly confined to a series of reconnaissance flights, conducted somewhat on the lines of a photographic competition with the enemy.

A photographic record of enemy country is, of course, essential as and when mutual destruction by the bomber really gets going. We, however, are hardly likely to be the first to start that game, so that the period of truce would appear to be terminable only at the enemy's discretion. In other words, the enemy can immobilise our bombing forces for as long as suits his book to do so, and it is unlikely, in the extreme, that he himself will lift the ban while Germany remains more penetrable to Allied bombers than is Great Britain to those of Marshal Goering.

A Disadvantage

At first sight, it would appear that there is little to regret about this mutual forbearance, and that it is, if anything, a huge relief to realise that inland bombing is indefinitely postponed.

There would, indeed, be every reason for a feeling of relief if it could be truly said that the gain or loss on either side is nil. Unfortunately, that is not so, for this withholding from intensive air attack can work unevenly to our disadvantage.

While it obtains our own bombing energy is bottled up securely, for our bombers have no alternative. The surplus energy, however, of the Nazi

By Air-Commodore L. E. O. Charlton

bombers can, and will be, directed more and more to other channels in a manner already hinted at in the recent air attacks on shipping. In this field they have so far merely tried these tactics tentatively, though it cannot be said that the experiment has been without success.

If to the destructive effects of mine, torpedo and ocean raider the enemy can now add the potent action of the bomber, and sees results accrue, he will not stint to utilise his surplus bombing energy in such a way while all the time our own is held in leash.

Imperial Successes?

It is, therefore, clear how unevenly the prescription against inland bombing is liable to work in our disfavour. Not only is there little or no German merchant shipping on the seas for our retaliation, but, even if there were, we ourselves would not offend the laws of war by sinking it in such a way.

Our virtue penalises us, and it may reach a pass when we are jeopardised as well. It would be bad to imperil our success by a continued exhibition of what one American paper recently described as "cockeyed courtesy."

When the enemy develops his system of air attack on shipping it may force our hands to have recourse to inland bombing as one effectual means of diverting his aim. There are innumerable legitimate objectives for us to bomb without imperilling citizen life in the mass, and our photographic results will then come into play.

The enemy will naturally retaliate, and will probably suffer greater loss in doing so, but whatever damage he inflicts will be a low price to pay for the security of our blood supply, which is represented by the circulation of our shipping round our coasts.

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THE WAR TAXES

EXCEPT on the ground that a general income tax plan would be an improvement, the tax proposals contained in the Report of the War Revenue Committee are not likely to give rise to strenuous criticism. Controversy there will be. A very natural dislike and resistance to new taxation in any form is not easily side-tracked; it intrudes conspicuously into the Report as framed; but the necessity for a special effort by this Colony as a war measure has been freely accepted, and as the perfect method of painless extraction has yet to be devised, the four taxes now proposed may be expected to go through without arousing that violent hostility which followed Mr. Calne's outline of his income tax proposals.

There has been too little opportunity for exhaustive study of the new proposals, in the voluminous detail in which they appear in the draft bill. This much is clear, however: Corporations Profits, Business Profits, Property and Salaries Taxes cover most of the ground that would be embraced in a general income tax measure; and the chief interest lies in the modifications of the original proposals that they introduce.

These, it may be said, are noteworthy. In the field of salaries, notably, the weight of the burden is substantially reduced where it would most be felt. The single man does not begin paying tax until his earnings reach \$400 a month. The original plan would have made him liable at \$200 a month. The married man with two children does not begin to pay until his salary exceeds \$600 a month. Under the original plan, he would have begun paying, and more heavily, at \$450 a month. Personal and family allowances have been handsomely increased, and the rate of tax is limited to four per cent. on the first \$5,000 of taxable income.

Likewise with the three other taxes. The general income tax plan as propounded in October envisaged, generally speaking, a flat imposition of ten per cent. on all profits. The new proposals provide for a five per cent. tax on the first \$100,000 and 10 per cent. thereafter, with the first \$10,000 of business profits exempt. The practical effect, except insofar as the wealthy larger corporations are concerned, is to reduce the tax upon the Colony's commercial prosperity by half.

On the most cynical view, opposition is thereby robbed of half its force, although it is difficult to see, where, except in small matters, the Committee has succeeded in removing the "apprehensions" which gave the impetus to the more methodical attacks on Income Tax as such. The point is well taken by Mr. Black, the Accountant-General, in his reservation to the main report, that inequitable incidence is inherent in the Bill itself apart from what may arise in the course of its administration. The scope for evasion is not restricted; it is probably complicated by the recommendation to exempt "profits made outside the Colony" from taxation. The appropriate answer, presumably, is that the methods open to a Commissioner of the Board of Inland Revenue to check evasion of Income Tax are equally open to check evasion of Corporations Profits Tax and Business Tax. It was probably with this thought, and the feeling that if the Committee's proposals are not better than a general income tax they are better than nothing at all, that the income tax advocates on the Committee accepted the majority findings.

The important thing now is to get the new measure through Legislative Council; and to authorise Government to undertake desirable commitments in advance of receipt. If the Colony is to help in the war effort, it can most usefully make its contribution now.

IT IS A HARD ROAD TO VICTORY

THE House of Commons listened the other day to a debate on our system of economic warfare. To this fundamental subject it was content to devote three hours and a few odd minutes.

This vital department is in charge of a junior Minister. Yet on his work in the last resort turns our only predictable chance of winning the war.

A military victory in the proper sense of that word is out of the question, so long as Britain and France must fight alone. Without the capacity to take the offensive it cannot be achieved.

The ablest writers on military science warn us that an offensive under modern conditions requires a superiority in strength of three to one. Neither in man-power, nor in air-power, nor in the weight of our gun-fire, have we any superiority at all, nor is it easy to see how our present inferiority can be converted into a surplus of strength.

Diplomacy might work a miracle by bringing one or more of the greater neutrals over to our side. By our political conduct of the war we could do much to sap the enemy's will to resist.

These are speculative hopes. The one sober and measurable reckoning in which we dare indulge is that, sooner or later, economic warfare may bring a decision.

We are all inclined to approach this problem with a bias towards optimism. The spell that worked in the last war must work, we suppose, again. That is too cheerful an assumption: the many differences between those days and these tell, on the whole, against us.

Let us look at our situation first. Britain went into the last war with immense capital reserves in the shape of foreign investments. These were dissipated and they have never been built up again.

It was then possible to borrow in America. That facility was thrown away when we defaulted on our debt. To-day we must pay in cash or kind for all our planes and supplies.

The obvious course is to increase our exports—no easy feat in wartime. As yet, we are not in sight of this goal. Such increase as there is is fallacious: it means that sterling has depreciated and prices have risen.

The adverse balance—the gap between the value of imports and exports—is wider than ever. One resource remains: we can draw on the foods and raw materials of the Empire on credit. The political and social results will be important and salutary, for our ruling class will cease to be the creditor and overlord of the Dominions, India, and the Argentine.

This expedient may cover many of our needs, but it will not help us in our dealings with our chief source of warlike supplies, the United States. There, at some time in the future, a limit may confront us.

When we turn to Germany's situation, two main differences present themselves. For five years, the country has been organised for war. It

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has reduced its dependence on the outer world to a minimum. It has mobilised its entire civilian population, body and soul. Every engine, every loom, every pair of hands is, and for long has been, a part of the war-machine. Every household has been schooled to privation, and even the children are happy only when they wear a uniform.

The omnipotent Nazi Party has no rival: there is no public organisation, neither party, Trade Union, nor Church, as there was in the last war, which could serve as a focus for independent action or even for discontent.

No one doubts that during these five years stocks of essential materials have been accumulated. How long will they last? That depends on the rate of expenditure. If the war remains what it is at present—a mere trial of endurance—the Germans may actually be increasing their reserves of munitions and even of oil.

The second big difference is that Germany has open to her a rather wider neutral market than she had in the last war. Italy cannot yield much, but she can be a useful channel of supply.

Like everything that concerns Russia, the question of her will and ability to supply the Nazis is highly controversial. But if it amounts to little to-day, it may be decisive, after an effort of reorganisation in two years' time.

Germany has been able almost from the start to control all the resources of Poland and the Balkan States, an advantage which she achieved appreciably later in the last war.

The Balkans have, in the interval, developed some of their minerals, notably aluminium. Turkey, on the other hand, is hostile, but she is not an important source of supply.

This comparative survey, rough though it is, seems far from reassuring. Our own financial position is weaker, while Germany enters the struggle a trained athlete.

It is merely untrue to suppose that she cannot pay for what she must import. On the contrary, since the war began she has been rapidly paying off her trade debts to Holland and Switzerland, and will soon have a balance in her favour. When we turn to the Commons de-

bate, there is little to inform us. Mr. Cross may be, for all we know, the ideal Minister of Economic Warfare, but he chose to give the House an essay in propaganda which evaded all the awkward questions and risked some picturesque statements that vanish when one looks closely at them.

Take, for example, his assertion that "the people of Berlin were shivering from lack of coal, which was being used to provide synthetic rubber and for export." The shortage of coal, in Berlin, is a fact, but the explanation is simple enough. Coal in Germany is normally carried by water, but during the severe winter the rivers and canals have been frozen.

The railways should have been used, but they have been deliberately neglected under Hitler, who had a mania for road-building. This is a grave source of weakness, but it is not due to our blockade.

Mr. Cross dwelt with great satisfaction on his success in buying up from neutrals the exportable surpluses of materials which Germany needs. This is sound strategy, and if it could be applied to such things as Hummel oil and Russian manganese it might have a considerable effect.

But the example that Mr. Cross gave was not impressive. Is it really wise to buy up "Turkish" tobacco from Greece and Bulgaria? It might be argued that Germany should be encouraged to squander her limited resources on imported luxuries. The more she spends on tobacco the less will she have for oil.

I try, from such material as I can get—a daily German-Swiss newspaper and the scrupulous bulletins of the "New Beginning" underground movement—to form some impression of the condition of Germany. Certainly there is privation. There is milk only for nursing mothers, children and the sick.

The graver ground for discontent is over-work. The miners of the Ruhr, for example, are doing an 84-hour day, with meagre payment for overtime. The pace in all the war industries is too hot, and in some cases women and even children are set to tasks far beyond their strength.

This may, in the long run, break the endurance even of a proverbially patient people. One gathers that there, as here, there is no enthusiasm for this war, but there is a stolid determination to fight on, because the average man believes that the Allies would crush and dismember a defeated Germany.

From the little we know, those of us who dislike illusion will not derive a belief in the automatic efficacy of the blockade to win this war. My own conviction is that political intelligence must be the main factor in success.

We have to convince the German masses that their die-hard mood of resistance is unnecessary. To this end we should do well to abandon the food blockade.

If they go hungry, let Hitler bear the blame.

Battle Of Ideas: By the Rt. Hon A. Duff Cooper Third Term President?

AS the date of the Presidential Election draws inevitably nearer, and as the war fails to produce sufficient events to hold universal attention, the minds of Americans tend not unnaturally to become increasingly occupied with their own concerns and less with those of the world in general. It is difficult for a foreigner to understand the internal politics of another country, and it is dangerous for him to make definite assertions on the subject. In approaching the political problems of the United States, the European enquirer is met at the start by what appears to him an almost insuperable problem: namely, the real difference between a Republican and a Democrat. In the north he will find that, on the whole, the Republican viewpoint corresponds to that which in England would be termed Conservative, but if he travels to the south he will meet with old-fashioned southern gentlemen who will seem to him the living embodiment of the very soul of Toryism, and he will learn that they are Democrats to a man—Democrats descended from a long line of Democrats: Democrats who would vote for the Prince of Darkness himself, rather than ever cast a vote for a Republican candidate.

The next phenomenon which will surprise the itinerant European is the attitude which he will find adopted towards, and language talked about the President. In the democratic countries of Europe, the credit of President Roosevelt stands very high. It is doubtful whether the United States have ever had a President who commanded so much respect in those European countries where men are still permitted to think for themselves. But the traveller in America who moves among the well-to-do, not only the very rich, but the better off commercial and professional classes, will perpetually hear the President denounced with a wealth of vituperation that is truly astonishing. Nor is there any general disagreement with his foreign policy. At a time when foreign policy is by far the most important department of politics, even his bitterest enemies are inclined to concede that there he has been successful, and that they would not themselves have done otherwise. But this concession by no means mitigates their wrath nor their determination that he shall not be allowed to preside over their destinies for another period.

When, however, the question is asked: whom would you put in his place?—seldom or never does it meet with a definite answer. Usually the person so interrogated mentions two or three names, without coming down definitely in favour of any particular one of them. Both parties have at least four or five potential candidates who, when their qualities, their attainments and their records are reviewed, appear to be formidable. It is only when they are put beside the President that they begin to shrink in stature.

It must not be thought, however, that it is only Republicans who oppose the President. There are almost as many Democrats who hope that he will not be their candidate. A Democrat said to me: "There are no more Democrats and Republicans. The country is divided between New Dealers and Anti-New Dealers."

If this were true, it might prove an extremely dangerous division, because it would tend to be on a horizontal rather than on a vertical line. The party system ceases to work as soon as it becomes a division between the rich and the poor. That, however, has not been reached at present. The old party lines, with a hundred years of tradition behind them, are still strong, and the die-hard conservative Democrat, already referred to, who would vote for the Prince of Darkness rather than a Republican, will probably

bring himself to vote for Mr. Roosevelt if he receives the Democratic nomination.

Other factors that seem certain in an extremely uncertain situation are, first, that if the President desires to be the candidate nominated by the Democratic party he will be, and secondly, that if he is so nominated, he will be elected. All, therefore, depends upon his own decision. He has so far been very careful to avoid giving any intimation of what that decision is likely to be. He has amused himself by teasing the journalists who seek to trap him into dropping a clue, and he has never been caught napping. The secret of his success in concealing his mind may well be that his mind is not made up.

Here is a tremendous decision for a man to make. The age is momentous. Upon the actions of a few individuals the whole future of the world depends. Civilization may plunge into chaos or may, by a mighty effort, throw off the evil influences that are dragging it into the abyss, and may then advance in triumph.

We cannot wonder that he hesitates. But on the other hand, he may well feel that supreme self-confidence, which is the proper attribute of men who are truly great. "I know that I can save this country and that nobody else can," said the elder Pitt—and he was right. If a man has that knowledge in his heart, no more considerations should affect his action. In this dread hour, the vital need of the democracies is the need of leadership. They yet may perish for the lack of it. No man who possesses that high gift has the right to hide it under a bushel. Daniel placed in one of the lower circles of hell the Pope who resigned the Papacy, the man who made the great refusal.

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HOLY SEE PEACE MOVE?

Rumour Arises From Visit Of Papal Nuncio To Weizacker

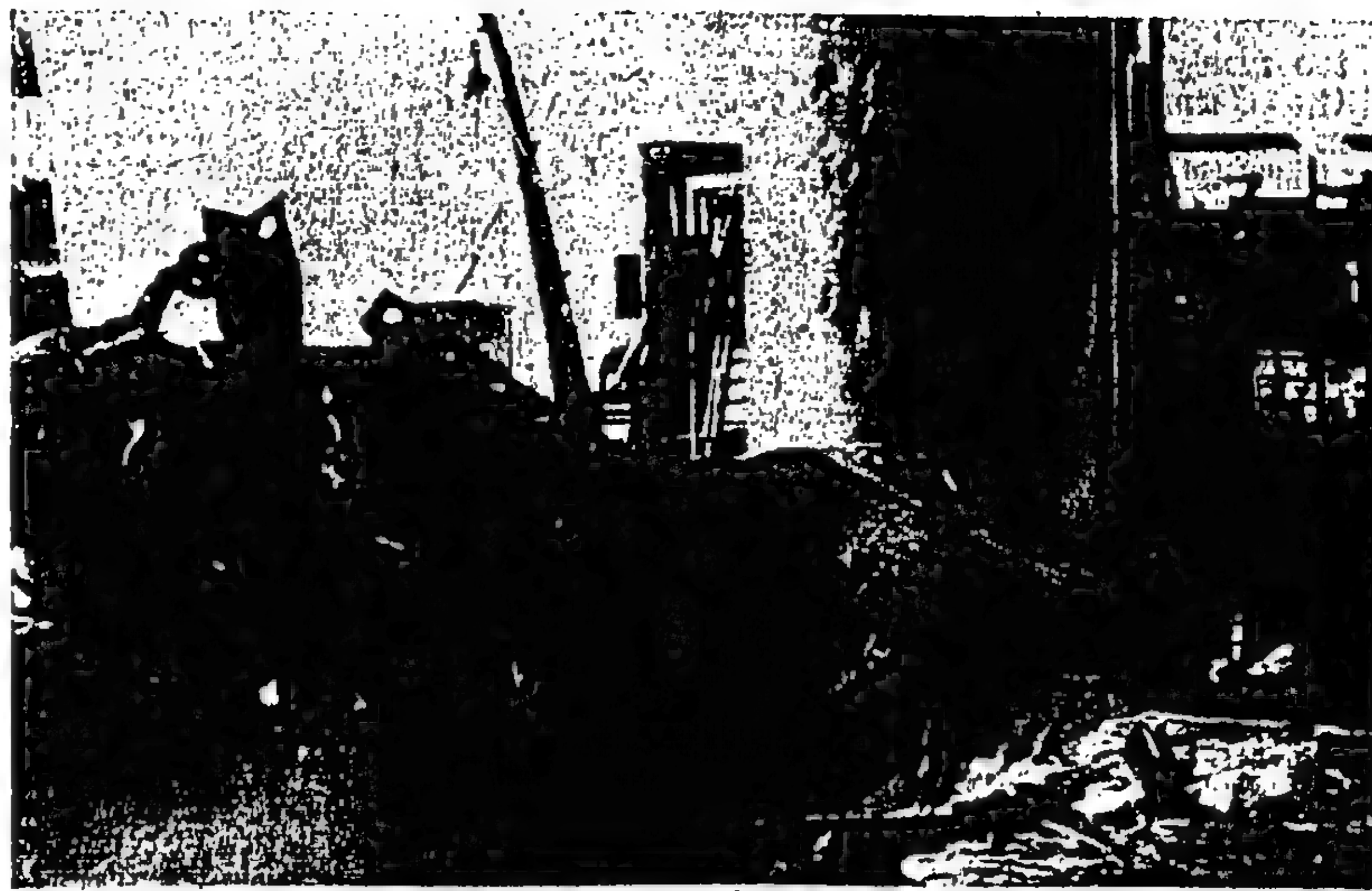
VATICAN FEELS ANY EFFORT WOULD FAIL

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday. IT IS OFFICIALLY announced from Berlin that the Papal Nuncio, Mons. Orsenico, called on the Under-Secretary of State, Baron von Weizacker, with whom he conferred for an hour and a half.

THE VISIT HAS PROVOKED RUMOURS THAT THE HOLY SEE IS ATTEMPTING A NEW MOVE FOR PEACE.

Authorised Vatican quarters, however, assert that no such move is contemplated at present, and say the Nuncio's visit was connected only with questions pending between the Holy See and the Reich.



ANOTHER VICTIM OF THE NAZI PLANES. — The Trinity vessel Reculver, another victim of the dastardly attack by Nazi planes in the North Sea. An officer was killed and 32 hands injured. Photo shows a view of the damage caused by the bombs showing the funnel and ventilators riddled with machine gun bullets. (Copyright Fox).

SCOTS INSIST ON KILTS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

London, Yesterday.

A delegation of the heads of Scottish clans yesterday visited the War Office and insisted that Scots troops be allowed to wear kilts instead of the Army battle dress.

It is recalled that the use of kilts was recently restricted and allowed only when soldiers are on leave. The Financial Secretary to the War Office and two General Staff

Outstanding is the problem of Roman Catholic priests, it is asserted here.

The general feeling is that any Vatican peace initiative is bound to fail as the belligerents are facing aggravation of the conflict.

At the same time, the Vatican's semi-official organ "Osservatore Romano," examining the situation notes that time favours the Allies, as the Allied armies are constantly expanding, their resources are unlimited, and Russian help will not compensate Germany for the sea blockade.—Havas.

officers conferred with the delegates for over an hour.

The delegation included the Duke of Montrose, Lord Sempill, General Sir Ian Hamilton and Sir Archibald Sinclair, Leader of the Liberals in the House of Commons.—Havas.

WOMEN IN FRONT LINES

Helsinki, Yesterday.

Finnish women, wearing trousers, have joined their men at the front, serving coffee under fire to the battle-weary troops, manning switchboards, running despatches and performing other useful duties.—Reuter.

FRENCH NAVY'S GUARD ON MEDITERRANEAN

London, Yesterday.

THE FRENCH NAVY'S work in convoying troops in the Mediterranean and in keeping the sea lanes open in that sea is meeting with no opposition whatever from the enemy, a high French source told Reuter yesterday.

Thus far, he added, no U-boat had succeeded in getting into the Mediterranean.

Other points revealed by this source are: Like the Royal Navy, the French Navy has destroyed many submarines. It is against policy, however, to state the number.

Also, like the British, the French Navy has had experience with the German magnetic mine. German planes have been caught on moonlight nights dropping these mines by parachute in French waters.

The French Navy co-operated in hunting for the Graf Spee, and divisions of French torpedo-boats are patrolling the approaches of the North Sea, thus reviving the co-operation with the Dover Patrol in the last war.

FRENCH NAVAL STRENGTH
At the outbreak of the war the French Navy had in commission five capital ships, among which the Dunkerque and Strasbourg, which, pending the completion of the newer

French and British capital ships, are the most modern and fastest ships in the world.

The French Navy also had in commission seven 10,000-ton cruisers; 12 smaller cruisers and 32 small light cruisers; 38 destroyers; 37 escort vessels; 77 submarines; one aircraft-carrier and one seaplane-carrier.

Since then the French Navy had suffered no loss of ships from enemy action. One minelaying cruiser and three auxiliary patrol vessels were lost from accidental causes.

On January 2 there were in construction in France about 300,000 tons of warships, including four 35,000-ton battle-ships.

MERCHANT SHIPPING
The strength of French merchant shipping actually shows a gain of over 12,000 tons since war began, despite losses by enemy action. Fourteen ships, totalling 60,000 tons, were sunk by enemy action, and four ships, totalling 15,000 tons, were lost as casualties.

Meanwhile, two ships, totalling 37,000 tons, have been built in French yards; six ships, totalling 40,000 tons, were purchased abroad, and four ships, totalling 10,000 tons, were captured from the enemy.

The French Navy has done a vast amount of work in escorting French Colonial troops to France, troops to other possible theatres of war and fresh drafts to the Colonies. None of these troop convoys have suffered any loss.—Reuter.

ALLIES CONFER ON AID TO FINLAND

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

London, Yesterday.

Although informed quarters believe the Finns are still able to resist, the news from Finland has caused serious anxiety, and new consultations were immediately initiated between Britain and France for accelerating the transportation of volunteers to Finland.

It is now possible to assert that the Finnish anti-aircraft defences will materially improve in the next few days, while her man-power will be increased in a few weeks to a point when the Finns will be able to counter-attack.

It is noted that up till now Finland has not called for volunteers, as the Swedish help in men was sufficient.

In this connection, authoritative quarters consider that the Swedish Foreign Minister's statement on his country's neutrality was dictated by diplomatic motives, especially by pressure from Berlin.—Havas.

MR. HULL WANTS IT IN WRITING

Washington, Yesterday.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull, commenting on Germany's "new" policy with regard to the sinking of neutral ships, declared that he does not regard a news agency statement as official notice from a Government from whom he has had "no communication on the subject."—Reuter.

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What-After Hitler?

Apparently, many have been too firmly convinced that the German people, once armed, would promptly cast the Hitler tyranny to the winds.

They have overlooked the fact that the German Government has mobilised a large fraction of its armed forces against its own citizens. In their homes, on their way to the front and even at the front itself, they are closely watched by hundreds of thousands of lynx judges who have full powers to shoot down at sight.

But the "other Germany" nevertheless exists. It is there, far under the surface, for that "other Germany" is composed of Democrats, Socialists and Pacifists who for many years have suffered from violence and wrong without in the least degree exciting any sympathy in other countries. Even to-day there are countless numbers of these classes of the population in the concentration camps. They have no part in the Government. And in the factories, where they still have a word to say, they have carefully to conceal their opinions and have had to adjust themselves to the customs and the aberrations of the German Labour Front. Some time must elapse before these men will gain any part of the political power. They will be the leaders of the revolution of the masses. This consummation is certain, but no one knows when it will come.

ON the other hand, it is perfectly clear that the Hitler regime is surrounded by enemies in its own country. I do not share the fairly widespread opinion that the Army is a political factor in Germany, but there can be no doubt on the point that it will be at the disposal of whoever has the courage to use it at the psychological moment. And there are only too many who would wish to employ this weapon. For, apart from the numerous officials and privileged supporters of the regime, there are hardly any who still adhere to the present form of National Socialism. Even the so-called "political leaders" cannot all be relied upon, since, for some of them, the regime has in the course of the years discarded too much of that socialism which was the object of their hopes. There are countless persons who are appalled by the alliance with Stalin. Big business is apprehensive, the peasants have for long felt themselves oppressed, and the gentlemen farmers as well as the aristocracy long for the re-establish-

ment of a monarchy.

All these elements of resistance are represented even among the circles closest to the Fuehrer. And it is therefore quite possible that the Third Reich will one day be confronted with an upheaval in comparison with which all that has gone before will be child's play. But however this may be, it will have nothing at all in common with that "other Germany" on which so many moral hopes have been centred. On the contrary, such a revolution would certainly emerge from the circles which helped to bring Hitler

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Leading German democratic publicist and dominating figure in the pre-Nazi German Republic.

to power and are only discontented with him at present because his activity has not fulfilled their expectations.

TO understand this, it must be made quite clear that Hitler would never have been able to seize power if the great industrialists, the aristocracy and certain generals of the Reichswehr had not regarded him as the suitable instrument of their political designs. The various sections which combined to help Hitler into the saddle differed completely on many points but on one they were united—namely rearmament—and also on the forcible intervention of their great army to burst the chains of the Treaty of Versailles and to re-incorporate in the Reich the territories ceded in 1919.

It is thus evident that the differences of opinion between all these circles and Hitler apply only to methods—methods of economic planning and methods of war. But they do not touch upon principles as far

as the brutal terror inside the Reich is concerned. In this respect only individual protests are recorded, violence should be reserved for others.

It may be possible that among this type of anti-Hitler there are some who would will to cease war for the moment because they believe that Hitler has played the Third Reich in a position in which the prospects of winning the war diminish from month to month, but none of them would hesitate to resume the war at another time and with another coalition as soon as circumstances seem favourable.

RECENT speeches of foreign statesmen have in many cases conveyed the impression that the Allies could be ready to make peace with Germany as soon as a Government could be established there whose word could be relied upon. There are already a number of candidates for such a Government. The most confident of success is probably he who has said the least—Hermann Goerring, but Thyssen, Hugenberg, Schacht and many others are awaiting their opportunity and pleading for help from abroad.

It would be impossible to take it amiss if the Allies, in order to reduce bloodshed to a minimum, were prepared to conclude any kind of peace under certain auspices. But if they were to impose such strict terms as to make war impossible in Europe for many years, no one could reproach them with that, for all the men in question are more guilty than Hitler himself.

They have helped him into the saddle and have unleashed him on the world. They were the war agitators, and war agitators they will remain, whatever happens to Hitler.

Therefore, those who really wish that this war shall be the last should see to it not only that Hitler is removed, but also that those who are likely to attempt a renewal of the war are placed in a position where they can do no more harm. It will

Hope For Holland And Belgium

There has never been any such thing as a secret of state. In all wars, throughout the ages, the map has always revealed the reasons and the motives of the belligerents; it is sufficient to examine it impartially and in the light of the interests and the possible illusions of the actors.

Nor has the map lost any of its importance in the present war. The theory of the so-called "vital space" has increased the scope of the problems and also of the appetites. But, on the other hand, there is a further pointer which has now become available. It must not be forgotten that, although in Germany there may be coups d'etat of a nature to destroy both monarchy and republic, there exists a stable and revered sovereign whom no one would ever think of deposing—namely, the "Fuehrer" or expert. It is quite certain that the reports of the experts on the means of pursuing and, if possible, of winning the war are obeyed to the letter in the long run, obeyed far more readily than the visions of this or that "inspired" leader. There can be no doubt—it is moreover openly avowed—that the fury concerning an alleged Communist danger in Spain was staged in Germany on the reports of the experts alone. The latter had pointed out that the copper and the iron of the unfortunate peninsula would be indispensable in order to furnish the material necessary for the great adventure. If Spain had not possessed iron and copper, Berlin would have found there was no reason to take a serious view of the influence of the Communists on the most individualist of the peoples of Europe.

There is every reason to think that Europe may have to envisage a war of endurance. Holland and Belgium in the first months of the war might have offered an opportunity for a surprise attack—for this the moment would seem to have passed. But neither Holland nor Belgium, nor even the north of France, can afford a solution for the problem which must be solved by Germany in order to endure—namely that of copper and oil.

Where are these two commodities to be found? In 1921, the principal copper-producing country was Spain. That country supplied 63 per cent of the European production of this metal. But last year Spain's production fell to 25 per cent, Jugoslavia, on the

other hand, who in 1921 only produced 20 per cent of the copper extracted in Europe had by 1939 increased her production to 80 per cent. Bauxite, necessary for planes, is also to be found in Jugoslavia. The best quality of this mineral is extracted there; it is also produced in Hungary, Rumania and Greece.

Rumania has the unfortunate privilege of producing sufficient oil for the requirements of a great belligerent power, I repeat, "unfortunately," for this possession may well arouse the greed of those concerned. Also, it is a fact that not one of the

oil wells of Rumania has ever served for the improvement of the situation of the peasantry or of the economic standing of the country. All therefore, that is indispensable for the conduct of a war—however great the reserves accumulated by Germany during the last few years—is to be found on the road to the East. It is certain that both Holland and Belgium must persist in an attitude which shows that they are fully resolved to defend their honour and their soil. But it would seem—as far as it is possible to judge—that the danger in this region has decreased. As far as one can judge, I have said; for it must not be forgotten that there have been decisions regarding war and invasion which defied any political or even strategical explanation. Nothing, not even Bonaparte's greed for power, can explain his mad decision to undertake the conquest of Spain. Anything can therefore happen. But the Dutchmen and the Belgians who wish to maintain an attitude of optimism—a necessary condition of serenity both in life and in politics—should turn their eyes towards south-eastern Europe. In those regions, certain quarters have already begun to discover "Communists" and also "conspiracies"—after Spain, everyone knows what this means.

It is therefore to be hoped that the avalanche has been diverted into another direction. All the more so since the unfortunate peoples of the Balkans—who are now paying for having consistently refused to unite among themselves—are the victims of a historic fatality. As soon as one great European power invades or even intervenes in these regions, other great powers join in the dance.

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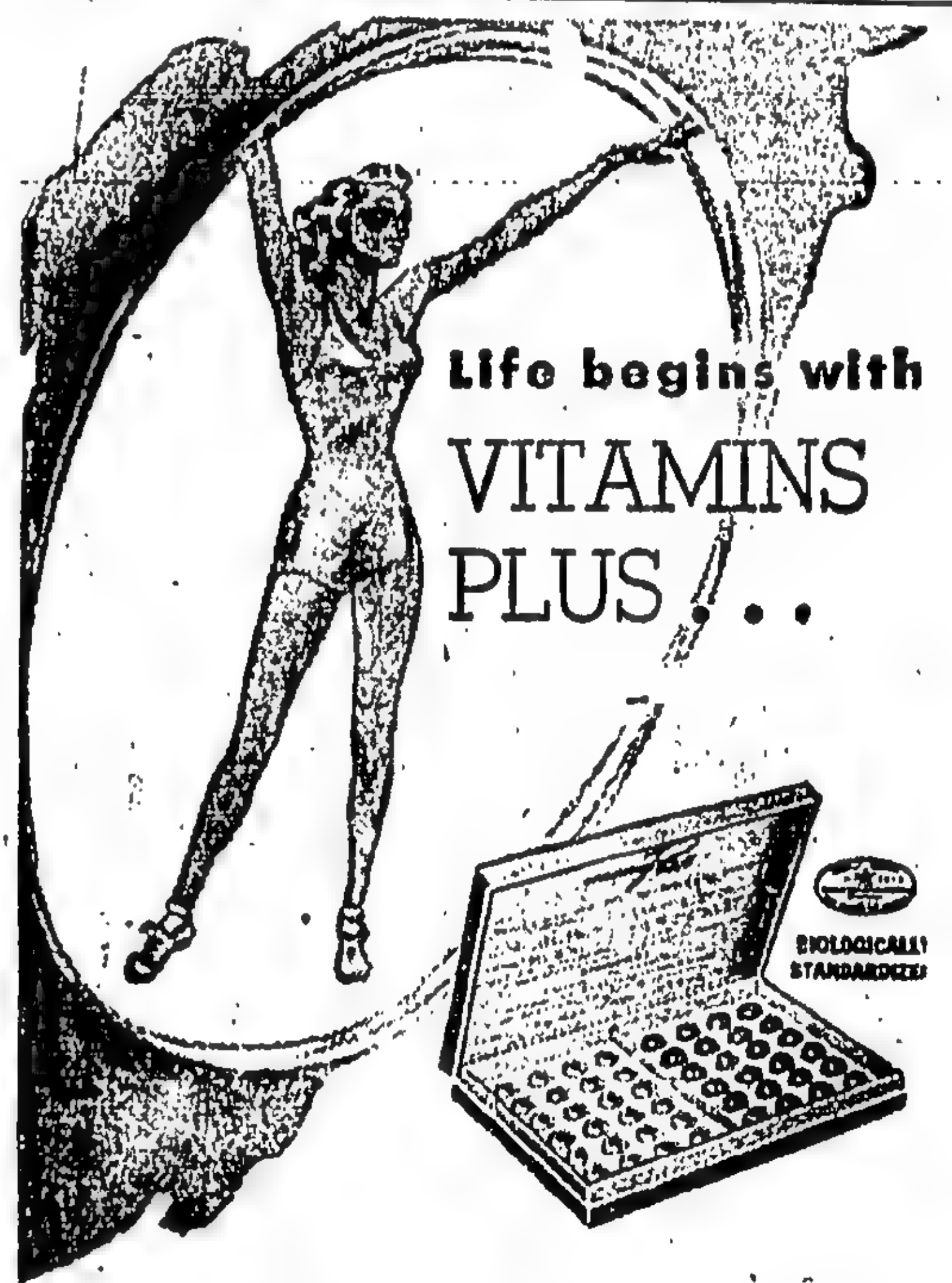
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AN OLD BILL REJOINS ARMY

An Old Bill of the last war, possibly through ten times, spoke to a clerk who was returning from lunch to a London voluntary recruiting office. He asked himself if he could enlist. He explained that he was forty-five; that he had eaten no food for two days.

Old Bill was in a poor state because of malnutrition. His response to the mental tests was therefore not up to standard. He was rejected. Clerks in the office were so moved by his look of disappointment and misery that they had a "whip round" for him. Then the chairman of the medical board heard about what was going on.

The money collected from the

Poles Made To Dig Own Graves: Vatican Report

MASS EXECUTIONS BY NAZIS WITHOUT TRIAL

ROME, YESTERDAY. A LONG AND DETAILED REPORT COMPILED FOR THE VATICAN, HAS BEEN RECEIVED HERE DEALING WITH GERMAN ATROCITIES IN POLAND.

Methods adopted for the extermination of the Polish people in the western provinces, now incorporated in the Reich, are clearly revealed.

These areas include Poznan, Pomerania and Upper Silesia as well as parts of Central and South Poland, formerly attached to Russia and Austria-Hungary.

The Germans have resorted to systematic massacres and executions in their attempts to exterminate the population, and most of their victims belong to the cultured and professional classes, including the clergy. Particulars are given of public executions by trink. The names of towns and villages with the number and names of the people executed are given.

LAST DEFIANT SHOUT
As a rule, the victims are taken from prison and shot outright and they are never allowed to say goodbye to their families or to receive the comforts of religion. In some cases Roman Catholic victims have been purposely buried in Jewish cemeteries. In other cases, as in one instance at Gdynia, as many as 350 hostages were executed after having been made to dig their graves.

They included bankers, judges, engineers, State officials and other

clerks was returned to them on the chairman's instructions.

Old Bill received a "chit" to go into a hospital for a few days for his physique to be built up. He returned to the recruiting office when he left hospital; was passed Grade II.

And is now back to the Army again, sergeant.

prominent men, and also a large number of women.

A conservative estimate of the number of Polish civilians killed by the Germans brings the total to over 15,000, but this figure does not include those who lost their lives during the invasion.

The loss of life in the concentration camps is almost as heavy as that from executions and massacres. Conditions in these camps are appalling. They are without sanitary arrangements or sleeping accommodation and the food is bad and insufficient.

WOMEN SEIZED IN STREET
The Germans have taken women from queues outside shops, loaded them in lorries and sent them to work in Germany.

Every house in Poland has been looted and everything of value taken away. Not only valuables but even clothing has been stolen.

Forced labour in Germany now amounts to a thorough system of slavery, involving half a million victims.

The Germans have expelled entire districts and towns, as in the case at Gdynia, which was emptied of its 130,000 inhabitants. Baltic Germans now occupy Gdynia.—Our Own Correspondent.

Boys and Girls Being Sterilised

Rome, Yesterday. Polish boys and girls are being sterilised by the Nazis in an attempt to extinguish the Polish race.

This is one of many harrowing details of Nazi persecutions in Poland revealed to-day in a report submitted to Cardinal Hlond, Primate of Poland by a priest who escaped from the German terror.

The priest alleges that Polish children have been sterilised after being rounded-up in various cities to be sent en masse to Germany.

"LET POLE EAT POLE"
Looting and the sending to Germany of Polish money, food and clothing have made the Poles destitute. Deaths are frequent, people are going mad and famine is expected.

"Let Pole eat Pole," was the comment of Nazi guards to thousands of Polish families who, herded into trucks with the temperature below freezing point, were taken miles into the country and then told to get out and fend for themselves.

A priest named Fr. Dobrzynski, carrying the Last Sacrament to a dying man, was stripped of his vestments and the host was trampled on by the Nazi persecutors.—Our Own Correspondent.

'PHONY WAR TALK BAN IN REICH

Amsterdam, Yesterday. What is the most popular subject of discussion in Britain to-day? When is the war going to start? Well, it is just the same in Germany. Only the Nazi authorities do not encourage the questioners.

"People who shake their heads while asking 'When will it start?' are our worst enemies on the home front."

This is the statement of the "Westphalische Landeszeitung," the most important paper in Western Germany.

"These eternal critics are always arguing that things are not going fast enough," says the paper, "in order to cast doubts on our final victory."

"Back in September they said that Hitler's blitzkrieg in Poland was going to be a failure."

"To all these impatient folk we must answer that Hitler will attack when he wishes, but nerves are needed."

"National-Socialism has in every crisis found new means, new military methods of gaining its triumphs."

"When the time for action has come the Fuehrer has always sprung a surprise on the world and destroyed what he wanted to destroy."—Our Own Correspondent.



The Coastal Command, Royal Air Force, flying boats have completed 6,000,000 miles in their task of watching over British shipping since war began. Since war not one ship has been lost in a convoy under their care. The big Sunderland four-engined flying boats meet convoys far from British shores. The whole service has sighted and attacked over 100 U-boats. Photo shows a plane flying round a vessel during patrol. Every ship is carefully scrutinised. (Copyright, Fox).

"MUNITIONS OR JAIL"

London, Yesterday. Hitler has ordered the general mobilisation of all available women and girls in Germany for work in war industries. Thousands have received calling-up notices ordering them to report for duty immediately at munition factories. If they disobey the order they will face imprisonment on "sabotage charges."

Most of the women called up are in luxury trades or work that is not of national importance. The next batch to be called up will be married women without children.—Havas.

NAZI SPY NETWORK RUN DOWN

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

Norway's police have unearthed one end of what they believe to be a vast German spy network.

Its aim was to betray to waiting U-boats the sailings of ships bound with Swedish iron ore to England.

The discovery was made at the north Norwegian port of Narvik, through which passes much of the iron ore produced at the famous Kiruna mines, just across the Swedish border.

KNEW OF SAILINGS

For some time it had been noticed that German submarine commanders seemed to be particularly well informed of the sailings of and routes taken by vessels bound for England with iron ore.

Two Norwegian steamers with such cargoes, the Svaroen and the Enid, were torpedoed under particularly suspicious circumstances.

The Narvik police kept their eyes and ears open. Eventually they swooped on the home of a local German resident named Mueller.

He is an engineer employed by a German firm which imports the Kiruna ore, and he lives in a house just outside the town built by the company.

SECRET RADIO

When the house was searched a radio transmitter was found concealed in the fireplace.

Little doubt is felt that he used it to communicate with the captains of U-boats lying in wait off the coast.

Energetic efforts are now being made to find out how far the ramifications of the plot ran, and the Swedish police are collaborating in the researches.—Havas.

Hitler Has Huge Income

Incomes drawn by Hitler and Goering have always been a mystery. But according to figures reaching Switzerland from a reliable Berlin source here is what they drew last year:

Hitler £211,700
Goering £112,000

And here are the chief items which are said to have gone towards these figures:

HITLER

Salary as Reich President	£16,000
Personal entertainment expenses	17,000
Personal out-of-pocket expenses as Chancellor	3,000
Salary as a member of the Reichstag	600
Salary as leader of the National-Socialist Party	3,000
Royalties on sales of "Mein Kampf"	134,000
Royalties on other published material	20,400
Dividends from the Volkischer Beobachter	10,000

GOERING

Field-Marshal's salary	10,000
Personal entertainment expenses as Field-Marshal	15,000
Salary as Prussian Premier	2,300
Personal out-of-pocket expenses	3,000
Air Minister's salary	2,300
Salary as member of Reichstag	600
Entertainment allowance as President of Reichstag	3,000
Salary as President of State Council	1,000
Salary as Chief of Four-Year Plan	7,500
Out-of-pocket expenses as Air Minister	165
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SKATING ON THE SERPENTINE

This picture was taken during the cold snap which began in Britain last month. It was the coldest weather since 1894 and the country was in an icy grip. Part of the Thames was frozen over and skating was general. Photo shows the army in a mix-up—and it looks like more trouble behind. A picture on the Serpentine, London. (Copyright, Fox).

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But to-night a full moon bathed the snowy wastes and the stunted firs which monopolize this corner of the world. The thin scrub pines cast zebra stripes across the snow. We stand among them on the ridge. Beside us, Finnish machine-guns point their black beaks horizontally above the stream and bridge below us and straight across a quarter-mile of open ground, which is thickly spliced with fresh stumps of trees. They

point at the woods where the Russians used to be before they hastily withdrew back up the Petsamo road to Lake Høyen and just beyond.

Ten Mile Stretch Of Wilderness

We face a ten-miles stretch of wilderness which has been no-man's-land since Christmas. Several miles behind it lies the village of Nautai. From there, it is two hundred and

By
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Our Special Correspondent in Finland,

eighty miles south to Rovaniemi, Lapland's capital, though we thought Rovaniemi pretty far north when we left there at three in the morning.

We stand on the pine ridge beside the Petsamo road, and it is after six in the evening. Suddenly, a dozen white-garbed figures appear on the crest of a hill where it dips down to the bridge. They dig their ski-sticks into the roadbed and slide into Indian file formation. Each wears a white hood pulled over his army fur cap. Each carries a rifle slung across his back, and a knife at his belt. They wait a moment. A word of command, and they speed down the slope across the bridge, then up the other incline and along the road.

We watch the Finnish skiers glide swiftly over the clearing and disappear with the road into the forest of no-man's-land. They will not stick to the road for long. They are going behind the Russian lines, maybe twenty or thirty miles behind the lines in a single night. Or perhaps this is a patrol which will be gone for ten days or two weeks, like those who go across the Russian frontier.

Fighting All Goes On At Night

"All the real fighting goes on at night," an officer tells me. I am still amazed by the fact that the last man in the line clenched a half-smoked cigar in his teeth as he set off. A few more puffs were still safely possible.

Here, the Russians also make their share of sallies, but they come on the road, because they scarcely know the first thing about skis.

"When they have skis, they usually walk along the road carrying them," laughs the officer. "Last night fifty Reds came with two tanks. They only reached our first patrol, and most of them were killed. The tanks were partly disabled, but the survivors managed to take them back."

"Luckily, it is not cold to-night," a Finn remarked. "I asked what the temperature was. 'Only thirty degrees below,' he said, 'yesterday it was thirty-five all day.'"

For a month the Russian and Finnish positions have remained virtually unchanged on the Petsamo road. They are respectively above and below Lake Høyen, with a ten-mile gap between. The Russians are said to have one division stationed there, and there may be two, since no one knows how many Red troops have been landed by boat from Murmansk in the Petsamo estuary on the Arctic Ocean.

The Finns say that the Moscow proletarian conscripts are poor in class and have great difficulty in combating the cold. This may account, in part, for the fact that the Reds hold about eighty miles of the road from Petsamo, but are making no progress whatever.

The Only Road

The present front on the road runs almost flat up against the Norwegian frontier, where Norway's territory forms a deep narrow pocket southward into Finland. This relieves the Finns of left-wing worries about Nautai and forces the Russians to try to drive along the only road, or wait until the spring. From Nautai southwest the Finns' left flank is again protected by the big Lake Inari, and the terrain favours their defence.

Up here, at sixty-nine degrees north, the snow remains in the woods and permits of skiing even in May, though the roads are then bare. Thus the Russians will be compelled to fight along the Petsamo-Rovaniemi road for another four months at least. Nature will only give the Red invaders a break at the end of May, when seven weeks of midnight sun and uninterrupted daylight come over Northern Lapland. That may permit of air raids on a twenty-four hour a day basis during that period. In the past week, the Finns have shot down two Russian planes and forced down more here. The world's most fantastic battle-front sticks fast with ice.

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(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

SOFIA, YESTERDAY.

PROFESSOR FILOFF, THE NEW BULGARIAN PREMIER AND FORMER MINISTER OF EDUCATION, WAS RECEIVED TOGETHER WITH HIS NEW CABINET BY KING BORIS ON FRIDAY.

In a statement issued later, he said that the policy of the new Government will not be very different from the lines of the old one. Peace and neutrality would be the features of the foreign policy, while at home it would be general appeasement.

Professor Filoff is a leading figure in Bulgarian cultural circles; formerly President of the University of Sofia, he is at present head of the Academy of Science there. For many years he has worked to advance national culture and to arrange for cultural relationships and exchanges with other countries.

SEVERE IMPORT QUOTAS FOR OTHER NATIONS

London, Yesterday.

THE MAIN PROVISIONS OF the new Anglo-French economic co-operation, which has been approved by the two Governments, are:—

Each country will pay for imports from the other in its own currency;

Visa and other travelling formalities will be less severe;

Postal communications will be speeded up;

The import license system will be entirely suppressed to pay for goods, and import quotas will be materially increased for all other nations;

GERMANY'S OVERSEAS EXPORTS

WASHINGTON, YESTERDAY.

GERMANY'S EXPORTS FROM THE UNITED STATES IN JANUARY, 1939, TOTALLED £1,500,000. GERMANY'S EXPORTS FROM THE UNITED STATES IN JANUARY, 1940, TOTALLED £730,000, ACCORDING TO FIGURES JUST RELEASED.

During January, 1940, France obtained export licenses for arms and munitions from the U.S. totalling £20,000,000, comprising £4,500,000 for military aeroplanes, £15,500,000 for planes, engines, spares, etc., and £500,000 for ammunition.

France's purchases were nine-tenths of all war materials licensed for export from the United States last month.

Exports to Britain also showed a big increase—£10,500,000, as compared with £10,500,000 a year ago.—Reuter.

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HONG KONG BANK PROFITS

The Report of the Board of Directors to the shareholders of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation states that the net profits for the year, together with £3,409,034.28, balance brought forward from last account, after paying all charges, deducting interest paid and due, and making provision for bad and doubtful accounts and contingencies, amount to £10,754,599.74.

The Directors recommend writing off Bank Premises Account, the sum of £300,000.
 After deducting £300,000, the Interim Dividend of £2,100,000 per share, paid on 14th August last, viz:—£400,000 at 1/25d.—£8,500,474.58, and remuneration to Directors, there remains for appropriation £9,545,114.00, out of which, the Directors recommend the payment of a Final Dividend of £2 10/- per Share, viz., £400,000 which, at 1/25d, the rate of the day, will absorb £4,453,761.51.

The Balance, £3,411,329.55 to be carried to New Profit and Loss Account.

Mr. H. V. Wilkinson has been elected Chairman for the year 1940, and M. D. F. Landale has been elected Deputy Chairman.

The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Messrs. A. H. Compton and G. Miskin retire in rotation, but being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly.

Mr. J. J. Patterson resigned his seat on leaving the Colony and Mr. D. F. Landale has been elected to fill the vacancy.

The Accounts have been audited by Mr. John Fleming, C.A. and Mr. H. R. Forsyth, C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

Current accounts are shown in the balance sheet at £91,030,089 and Fixed Deposits at £148,765,401.

HONG KONG SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations issued yesterday:—

BANKS
 Hong Kong \$1410 b.
INSURANCES
 Canton Ins. \$212½ b.
 Union Ins. \$405 b., \$470 sa.
 China Underwriters \$1¼ s.
 H.K. Fire Ins. \$182 b.
SHIPPING
 Douglas \$100 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
 H.K. and K. Wharves \$101 b.
 H.K. Docks \$22.30 s., \$22.10 sa.
 Providents \$4.60 b.
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.
 H.K. Lands \$37¼ b., \$37¼/37½ sa.
 H.K. Realities \$4¼ b.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
 H.K. Tramways \$17¼ b., \$17.80 s., \$17.45/50 sa., X.D.
 Star Ferries \$64 b., X.D.
 Yau-mat Ferries \$24¼ b.
 China Lights (Old) \$7.00 b.
 China Lights (New) \$4.95 sa.
 H.K. Electric \$57½ b., \$57¼ sa.
 Macao Electric \$20 b.
 Sandakan Lights \$11¼ b.
 Telephones (Old) \$20.40 b.
 Telephones (New) \$9.70 b., \$9.70 sa.
INDUSTRIALS
 Cements \$19.10 b., \$19.10/25 sa.
 H.K. Ropes \$5.85 b.
STORES & A.C.
 Dairy Farms (Old) \$22.10 b., \$22.15 sa.
 Dairy Farms (New) \$21.10 b., \$21/21¼ sa.
 Watsons \$9.45 b., \$9.60 sa., \$9.40 sa.
MISCELLANEOUS
 Entertainments \$7.10 b.
 Constructions (Old) \$1¼ b.
MANILA SHARES
 Antamoks Pa. 18¼ b.
 Atoks Pa. 19 sa.
 Bagulo Gold Pa. 23 sa.
 Baking Buhay Pa. 014 b.
 Big Wedge Pa. 21 b.
 Coco Grove Pa. 34 sa.
 Consol. Mines Pa. 0035 b.
 Demonstrations Pa. 12¼ sa.
 East Mindanao Pa. 10¼ b.
 I.L.L. Pa. 37 b.
 Igo Gold Pa. 11¼ sa.
 Ilogons Pa. 28 b.
 Masbates Pa. 10 sa.
 Mind. Mother Lode Pa. 10 b.
 Mine Operation Pa. 10 sa.
 North Camarines Pa. 10¼ b.
 Paracale Gumutus Pa. 22¼ b.
 San Mauricio Pa. 31 sa.
 Surigao Consol. Pa. 17 sa.
 Suyoc Consol. Pa. 12¼ sa.
 Syndicate Inv. Pa. 024 sa.
 United Paracales Pa. 30 b.

RUMANIA'S OIL

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

LIVORNO (LEGHORN),

YESTERDAY.

THE CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION OF RUMANIA'S PETROL WAS THE SUBJECT OF COMMENT IN THE LEGHORN NEWSPAPER "TELEGRAFO" YESTERDAY.

While in the Great War, British and French capital were able to secure 70 per cent of the Rumanian product, leaving 20 per cent to Germany, in this war, the Rumanian Government has arranged for the independent distribution of its petrol.

Finding themselves torn between the claims of the Allies, on the one side, for supplies in wartime, similar to those in peace-time, and, on the other side, by Germany, with requests for increased supplies, comments "Telegrafo," the Bucharest authorities solved the difficulty by instituting a Government Committee to handle both home and export distribution.—Havas.

BRITISH INDUSTRY GAINING MOMENTUM

London, Yesterday.

At a conference in Birmingham of Trade Union officials and employers, the Managing Director of Wolseley Motors said the British engineering industry was gaining every hour in momentum in its war effort.

Day by day the number of employees was growing and even the hard core of unemployment would soon be cracked.—British Wireless.

SMUTS AND BENES

Pretoria, Yesterday.

The Union of South Africa recognizes the Czechoslovak National Committee, headed by Dr. Benes.

The Union's High Commissioner in London has written to Dr. Benes, informing him that the Union Government recognizes the Committee in all matters affecting the interests of the Czechoslovak people which the Committee brings to the notice of South Africa.—Reuter.

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3 SMASHING WINS FOR THE MOLLER STABLE:

Tomorrow's Derby Prospects

Based on yesterday's racing and what is known of Burford, which, incidentally, will be running in Quartermaster's colours, it seems probable that the Derby, to be run tomorrow at 4.30 p.m. will result as follows—

1. Satinlight.
2. Burford.
3. Spiclight.
4. Grebler.
5. Craigavad.

Mr. Dunbar's two entries Mount Hope Day and Dupont Day were most disappointing yesterday and can almost be ruled out of all reckoning for this event.

Mr. Moller Interviewed

Interviewed yesterday at the Valley, Mr. R. B. Moller said that he felt morally obliged to run both Satinlight and Spiclight in tomorrow's Derby due to the many sweeps being conducted on this event.

Mr. "Boogie" Moller will probably take out Satinlight, but as Mr. Chris Moller did not come south as expected, a rider has yet to be found for Spiclight. Mr. Moller Sr. said he would probably ask his old friend Sammy Judah to take the mount.

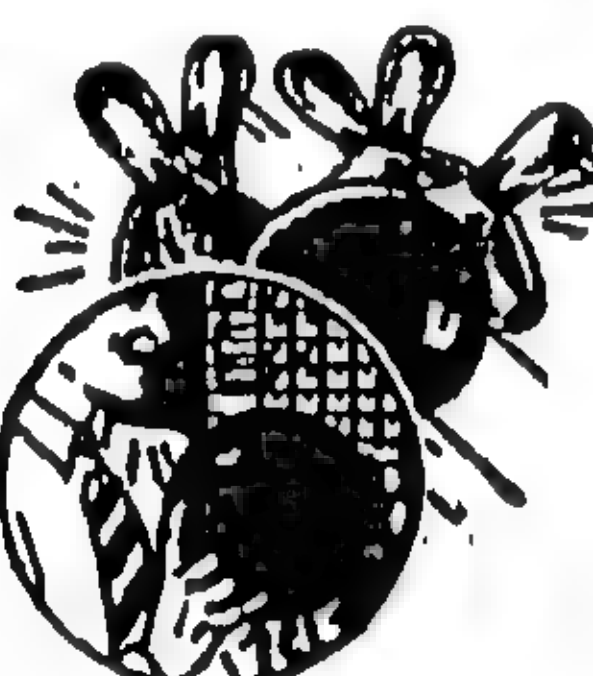
Mr. Moller would not discuss his chances of winning the Blue Riband, but he is quietly confident for all that.

TODAY'S TENNIS

A large number of entries for the second charity American lawn tennis tournament, to be held at Hong Kong Cricket Club to-day, ensures the success of this event, a start in which will be made at 11 a.m. Lunch and tea will be served on the ground.

American mixed doubles tournaments will be held at Kowloon Cricket Club and Civil Service Cricket Club this afternoon.

Ernie Heather, Hong Kong's leading indoor bowler, has returned from home leave and has wasted no time in getting back into harness.



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NAVY LIGHT BEATS CONFUSION BAY TO PAY \$52.70

THE Annual Race Meeting of Hong Kong Jockey Club opened yesterday at the Valley in ideal weather and, despite the loss of new China subscription griffins, the first day was an outstanding success in every sense of the word. There were no protests and only one accident, fortunately a minor one—Mr. S. W. Tang injured his leg when he was unseated by Finalist, a new Australian pony.

Mr. R. B. Moller had a great day, winning the Challenge Cup outright as the result of Navylight's surprise win over Mr. L. Dunbar's Confusion Bay, and carrying off the Maiden Stakes and the Trial Plate with Spiclight and Satinlight respectively in effortless manner. Mr. "Boogie" Moller, of course, rode these mounts and was thus champion jockey of the day with three wins in three starts.

The track, despite the lack of rain, is in good condition and it was therefore not surprising to have fast times returned. Spiclight, in winning the Maidens, bettered Rose Elect's record by a full second and Far View, a real smasher, equalled Courtney Eve's track record when winning by six lengths. It is interesting to note that both records were over six furlongs and that the difference in the times of the Australian and China pony is 6.2 secs.

In all 114 of 213 entries started and 27 jockeys were on view. Mr. P. Y. T. Wei securing two wins, three thirds and a second in nine starts, and Mrs. J. H. Taggart, with a win and a second, and Mrs. A. E. Grasett, with one win, figuring among the winning owners.

Dividends were unusually low for the first day—Navylight's win paying \$52.70 for the highest dividend of the day, while the "Double"—Satinlight and Strathannock—paid only \$17.40. Cash sweep prizes were considerably below expectations, but a big improvement is likely to be the result of the closure of the mammoth Derby Sweep.

Mr. Moller had the distinction of winning the Challenge Cup outright when his Navylight, ridden by his son "Boogie", secured a surprise win over the red hot favourite Confusion Bay (Mr. Black) by a neck in the slow time of 3:41.3. Mr. Black tazed his mount too much endeavouring to make up lost ground in the back straight, and Navylight, which set a slow pace in the early stages, was in a winning position when it caught Confusion Bay at the distance post. Its win paid \$52.70. Mr. Moller won this event last year with Satinlight.

Lancashire Chips (Mr. Wei) justified the confidence placed in it when it overhauled Double Finesse (Mr. Pan), an outsider, just managed to hold off Courtney Eve (Mr. Phil), favourite, for third place. Devonian, third favourite, was third in the running.

RECORD BROKEN

Mr. Moller recorded his second win of the day when his Spiclight, again ridden by his son "Boogie", won the Maiden Stakes in effortless style and in record time, clipping one second off Rose Elect's record, established in this same race last year. Away from the gate in a flash, followed by Dupont Day, White Diamond and Craigavad, it was never at any moment in danger of being overhauled.

Craigavad did not have a good start but finished second, half a length ahead of Mr. Tang Man Wa's Possible, while White Diamond was fourth. O-Lan fifth and Dupont Day sixth. Jockey badly disappointed by many supporters.

Wayton's Finalist threw Mr. S. W. Tang before the start of the Sydney Maiden.

dens (1st section) The jockey injured his leg and was unable to remount the pony, which was consequently withdrawn.

Mount Hope Day (Mr. Prosser) got away to a flying start, but, after appearing a certain winner, was overhauled just on the post by Australian Diamond, which paid \$20.70 for its success. Lucky Lady paid \$20.80 for third place.

The heavily fancied Galveston Day (Mr. Hearne) delayed its challenge until too late in the Curragh Handicap, and as a result was placed third to Tampa Bay with Commencement Day fourth. Tampa Bay paid \$33.60 for its unexpected win.

An unusual feature of this race was that the first four ponies were once again Mr. Dunbar, but Galveston Day now alone remains in this stable.

Mr. Hearne had a few anxious moments in the home stretch before he was able to come through on the rails to win the Coral Handicap, by a short head from Tornado Star (Mr. Wei). Lucky Lad (Mr. Needs), the favourite, was third and Cockler was fourth. This was Mr. Dunbar's only win of the day.

Mr. Moller completed a brilliant treble when Satinlight won the Trial Plate in a walk.

The win betting was:

Satinlight 2700 tickets.
Mount Hope Day 1420 tickets.
Grebler 87 tickets.
And the order of finishing was

1. Satinlight.
2. Grebler.
3. Mount Hope Day.

Mr. Dunbar must have been most disappointed in his pony as, after putting up a good first up to the 1½ mile post, it cracked up badly, being many lengths behind Grebler, who was short head behind Satinlight, which took the lead at the football stands and steadily increased it. Ohio was fourth and Steady Star fifth.

Contact and Sapper were first out of the gate in the second section of the Sydney Maidens, but Sapper was leading at the 1½ mile post, when he was overtaken by Courtney Eve, who was fourth and Steady Star fifth.

Strathannock (Mr. Black) was hard pressed to win the second leg of the double, Guinness Time (Mr. Wei), which set the pace, losing only over the last few furlongs. Courtney Eve, who was fourth, surprised by placing third and Advancing Time and Sylvandale, both of which were well backed, finished nowhere.

In the third section of the Sydney Maidens Mr. Li Lan-sang secured his only win of the day when his smasher Far View (Mr. Phil) won easily from Sparrow in 1:16.2, which equals Courtney Eve's track record. The last quarter was covered in 24.4. Sea Jay, which got away to a flying start, finished third, and Conniber was fourth.

Following are the results giving the betting money for each pony in brackets after its name:

1—CHALLENGE CUP—Value One Hundred Guineas—1½ Miles. (R. B. Moller) 1
L. Dunbar's Confusion Bay (363), 101 lb. (D. Black) 2
Eve's Eve of Harvest (360), 101 lb. (C. Encarnacao) 3
Also ran: Galaxy (357), 105 lb. (L. D. Chao).

4 Starters. Won by neck; many lengths. Time: 3:21.3; 1:14.3; 1:49.3; 2:17.3; 2:45.4. Parimutuel, winner \$52.70; places, 1st \$6.00; 2nd \$5.30.

BETTING FIGURES

	Win	Place
Confusion Bay	121	361
Eve of Harvest	121	361
Navylight	137	78
Galaxy	18	8

2—BENDIGO HANDICAP—3½ Furlongs. (R. B. Moller) 1
Mrs. J. H. Taggart's Lancashire Chips (376), 105 lb. (P. Y. T. Wei) 1
John Peel's Grebler (371), 100 lb. (V. V. Needs) 2
S. W. Lee's Double Finesse (373), 100 lb. (B. W. Pan) 3
Also ran: A Great Time (369), 105 lb. (L. D. Chao); Courtney Eve (370), 100 lb. (D. Black); and Vixen Tor (375), 102 lb. (B. A. Prosser).

7 Starters. Won by 4 lengths; short head. Time: 2:11.1; 50.1; 1:17.3. Parimutuel, winner \$15.00; places, 1st \$6.00; 2nd \$5.00; 3rd \$3.20.

BETTING FIGURES

	Win	Place
Lancashire Chips	101	116
Devonian	43	41
Craigavad	33	37
Double Finesse	52	57
Vixen Tor	90	111
A Great Time	45	118

3—MAIDEN STAKES—Six Furlongs. (R. B. Moller) 1
Mrs. J. H. Taggart's Craigavad (379), 101 lb. (S. C. Liang) 1
Tang Man Wa's Possible (370), 105 lb. (P. Y. T. Wei) 2
Also ran: Attacking Time (375), 100 lb. (Tang Man Wa); Care Free (377), 101 lb. (W. G. Poy); Clembur (378), 101 lb. (B. Chao); Dupont Day (380), 101 lb. (D. Black); Eve of Polly (381), 105 lb. (L. H. H.); and White Diamond (382), 101 lb. (L. H. H.).

11 Starters. Won by short head; short head. Time: 2:11.1; 50.1; 1:17.3. Parimutuel, winner \$22.90; places, 1st \$7.00; 2nd \$5.00; 3rd \$4.10.

BETTING FIGURES

	Win	Place
Craigavad	101	116
Devonian	43	41
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Unplaced runner (\$50 each)		Unplaced runners (\$50 each)			
No. 2511		No. 670, 1832, 3440, 1092.			
Race 3			Race 4		
No. 2039	\$1479.80	No. 1448	\$1811.40		
No. 1878	422.80	No. 3229	460.40		
No. 1038	211.40	No. 1688	230.20		
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)		Unplaced runners (\$50 each)			
No. 2373, 2091, 2671, 1974, 3767, 966, 1646, 2127, 3602, 1802, 1426, 1191, 1164, 3312, 3689, 3661, 2601.		No. 2823, 2253, 3897, 3226, 2376, 910, 1697, 1854, 3100, 3095, 1647, 1679, 2329, 2918.			
Race 5			Race 6		
No. 4925	\$2380.00	No. 879	\$2706.20		
No. 4273	680.00	No. 2297	773.20		
No. 2546	340.00	No. 543	386.60		
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)		Unplaced runners (\$50 each)			
No. 4722, 3671, 130, 1024, 581, 2977, 1806, 1103.		No. 3888, 4682, 902, 423.			
Race 7			Race 8		
No. 188	\$4547.20	No. 2130	\$2012.40		
No. 3975	1299.20	No. 5760	746.40		
No. 4619	649.60	No. 5068	373.20		
Unplaced runners (\$100 each)		Unplaced runners (\$50 each)			
No. 3400, 1594, 4387, 3838, 558, 226, 4191, 2440.		No. 3082, 4477, 5204, 1313, 4044, 3701, 4740, 3735, 12143, 5646, 2695, 4260.			
Race 9			Race 10		
No. 8363	\$2857.40	No. 3014	\$4550.00		
No. 1335	816.40	No. 2466	1300.00		
No. 3326	408.20	No. 2258	650.00		
Unplaced runners (\$50 each)		Unplaced runners (\$100 each)			
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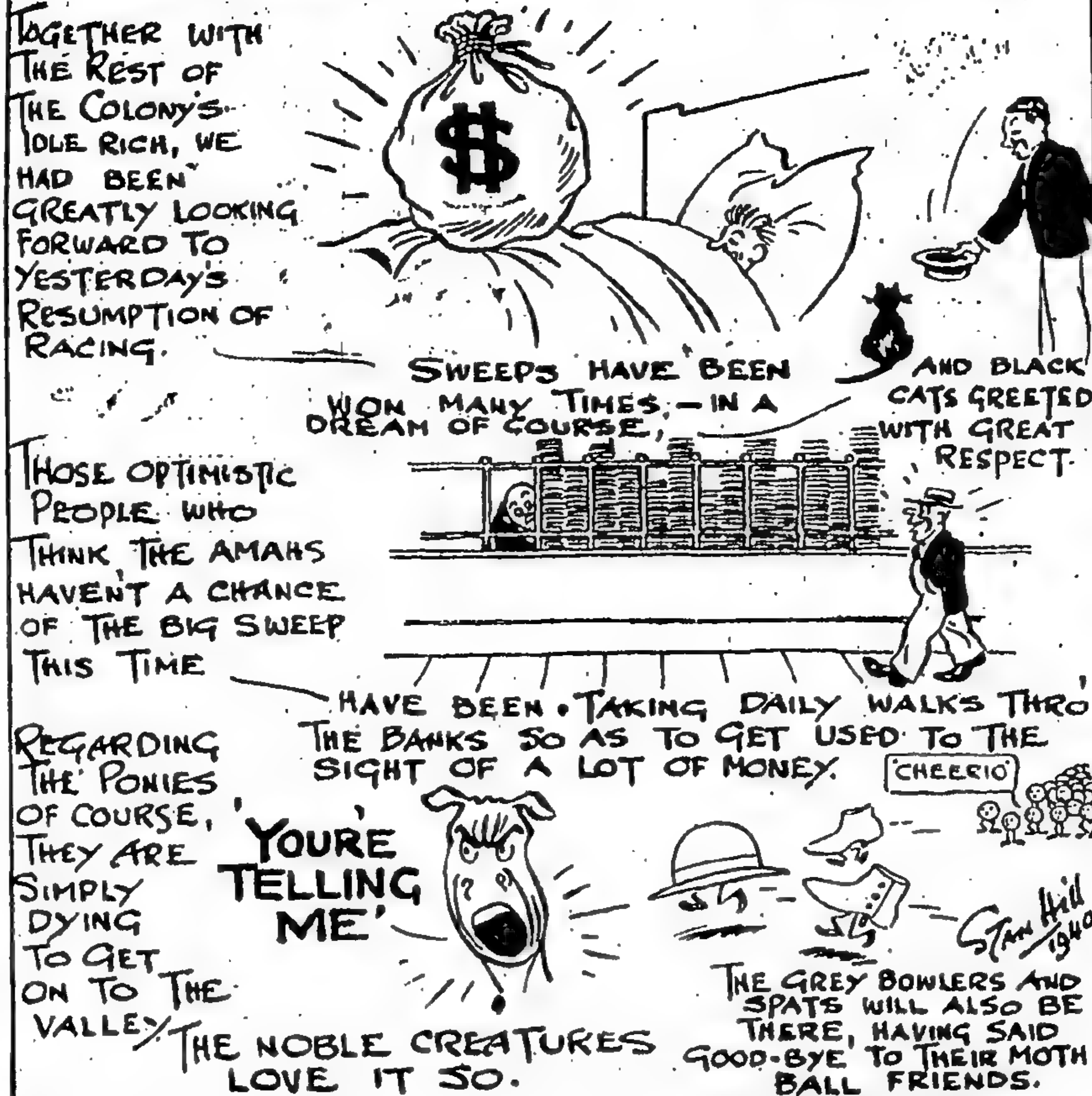


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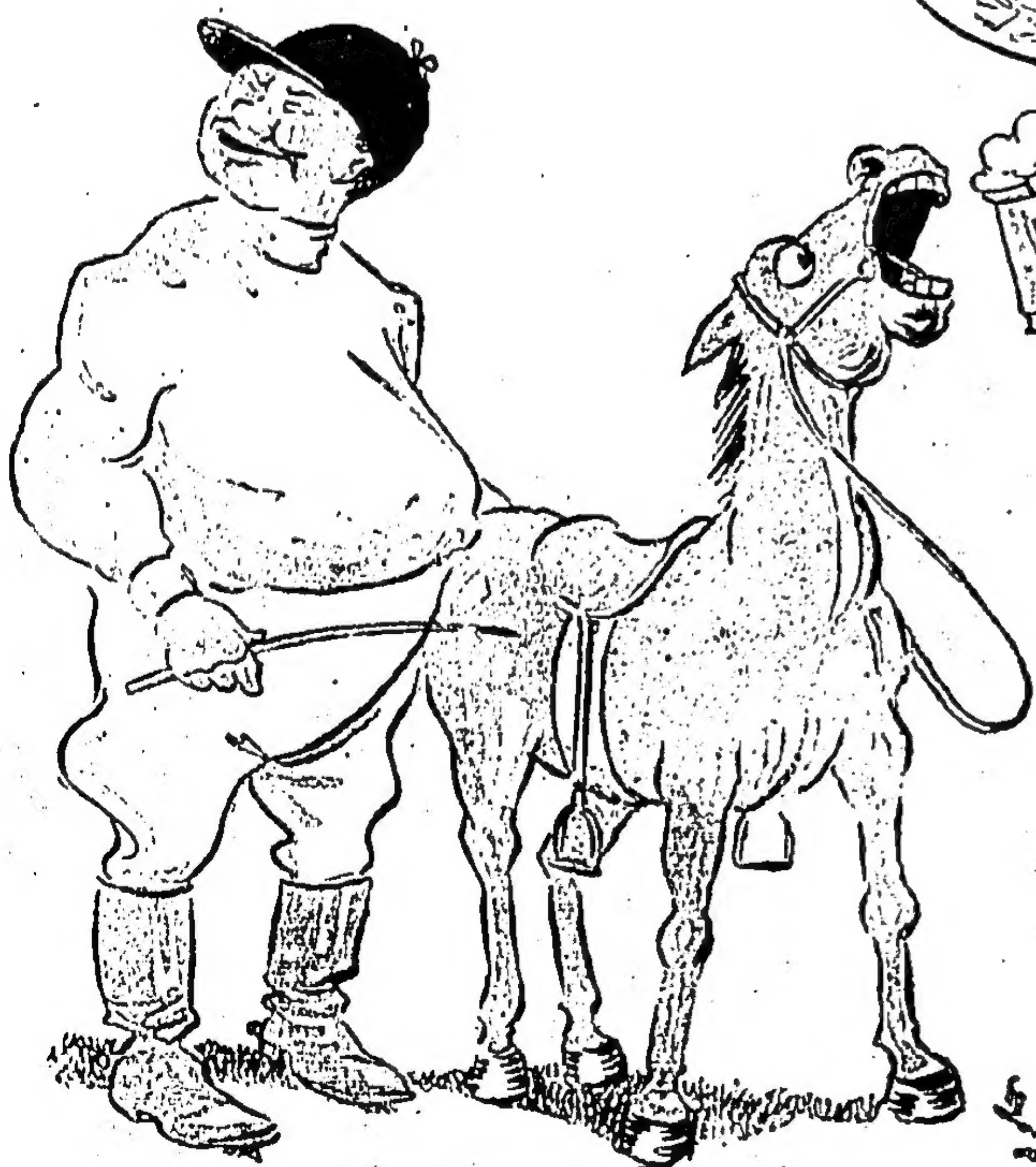
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At such times the faithful child of the Sun is a prey to the whitest and most funeral thoughts, and even the inspired wisdom of his illustrious ancestors seems more than doubtful, while the continued inactivity of the Sacred Dragon appears for the time to give colour to the scoffs of the Western barbarian.

The name of the despicable person who here sets forth his immature story is Kin Yen, and he is a native of Kiu-Lu in the Province of Che-Kiang. Having purchased from a very aged man the position of Hereditary Instructor in the Art of Drawing Birds and Flowers, he gave lessons in these accomplishments until he had saved sufficient money to journey to Peking.

Here it was his presumptuous intention to learn the art of drawing figures in order that he might illustrate printed leaves of a more distinguished class than those which would accept what true politeness compels him to call his exceedingly unsymmetrical pictures of birds and flowers.

Accordingly, when the time arrived, he disposed of his Hereditary Instructorship, having first ascertained in the interests of his pupils that his successor was a person of refined morals and great filial piety.

Alas! It is well written. "The road to eminence lies through the cheap and exceedingly unwholesome eating-houses." In spite of this person's great economy, and of his having begged his way from Lin-Lu to Peking in the guise of a pilgrim, journeying to burn incense in the sacred Temple of Truth near that city, when once within the latter place his

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facies melted away like the smile of a person of low class when he discovers that the mandarin's stern words were not intended as a jest. Moreover, he found that the story-makers of Peking, receiving higher rewards than those at Kiu-Lu, considered themselves bound to introduce living characters into all their tales, and in consequence the very ornamental drawings of birds and flowers which he had entwined into a legend entitled "The Last Fight of the Heaven-sent Tcheng"—a story which had been entrusted to him for illustration as a test of his skill—were returned to him with a communication in which the writer conveyed his real meaning by stating contrary facts.

It therefore became necessary that he should become competent in the art of drawing figures without delay, and with this object he called at the picture-room of Tien Lin, a person whose experience was so great that he could, without discomfort to himself, draw men and women of all classes, both good and bad. When the person who is setting forth this narrative revealed to Tien Lin the utmost amount of money he could afford to give for instruction in the art of drawing living figures, Tien Lin's face became as overcast as the sky immediately before the Great Rains, for in his ignorance of this incapable person's poverty he had treated him with equality and courtesy, nor had he kept him waiting in the mean room on the plea that he was at that moment closeted with the Sacred Emperor.

However, upon receiving an assurance that a rumour would be spread in which the number of tales should be multiplied by ten, and that the sum itself should be brought in advance, Tien Lin promised to instruct this person in the art of drawing five characters, which, he said, would be sufficient to illustrate all stories except those by the most expensive and highly-rewarded story-tellers—men who have become so proficient that they not infrequently introduce a score or more of living persons into their tales without confusion.

After considerable deliberation, this unassuming person selected the following characters, judging them to be the most useful, and the most readily applicable to all phases and situations of life:

1. A bad person, wearing a long dark pigtail and smoking an opium pipe. His arms to be folded, and his clothes new and very expensive.
2. A woman of low class. One who removes dust and useless things from the rooms of the over-fastidious and of those who have long nails: she to be carrying her trade-signs.
3. A person from Peking endowed with qualities which cause the beholder to be amused. This character to be especially designed to go with the short sayings which remove gravity.
4. One who, having incurred the displeasure of the sublime Emperor, has been decapitated in consequence.
5. An ordinary person of no striking or distinguished appearance. One who can be safely introduced in all places and circumstances without great fear of detection.

After many months spent in constant practice and in taking measurements this unenviable person attained a very high degree of proficiency, and could draw any of the five characters without hesitation. With renewed hope, therefore, he again approached those who sit in easy-chairs, and concealing his identity (for they are stiff at bending, and when once a picture-maker is classed as "of good" he remains so to the end, in spite of change), he succeeded in getting entrusted with a story by the elegant and refined Kien Yen.

This writer, as he remembered with distrust, confines his distinguished efforts entirely to the doing of salons, and this tale indeed, he found upon reading to be the narrative of how a Hang-Chow junk and its crew, consisting mostly of aged persons, were beguiled out of their course by an exceedingly ill-disposed dragon, and wrecked upon an island of naked barbarians.

The Ill-Regulated Destiny of Kin Yen

It was therefore, with a somewhat heavy stomach that this person set himself to the task of arranging his five characters so as to illustrate the words of the story.

The sayings of the ancient philosopher Tai Loo are indeed very subtle, and the truth of his remark, "After being disturbed in one's dignity by a mandarin's foot it is no unusual occurrence to fall on the face in crossing a muddy street," was now apparent.

Great as was the disadvantage owing to the nature of the five characters, this became as nothing when it presently appeared that the avuncular and clay-souled Tien Lin, taking advantage of the blindness of this person's enthusiasm, had taught him the figures so that they all gazed in the same direction. In consequence of this it would have been impossible that two should be placed as in the act of conversing together had not the noble Kien Yen been inspired to write that "his companions turned from him in horror."

This incident the ingenious person who is recording these facts made the subject of three separate drawings, and having in one or two other places effected skilful changes in the writing, so similar in style to the strokes of the illustrious Kien Yen as to be undetectable he found little difficulty in making use of all his characters.

The risks of the future, however, were too great to be run with impunity, therefore it was arranged by means of money—for this person was fast becoming acquainted with the ways of Peking—that an emissary from one who sat in an easy-chair should call upon him for a conference, the narrative of which appeared in this form in the Peking Printed Leaves of Thrice-distilled Truth:

"The brilliant and amiable young picture-maker Kin Yen, in spite of the immediate and universal success of his accomplished efforts, is still quite untutored in intellect, nor is he, if we may use a form of speaking affected by our friends across the Hoang Hai, suffering from swollen feet. A person with no recognized position but one who occasionally does inferior work of this nature for us, recently surprised Kin Yen without warning, and found him in his sumptuously appointed picture-room, busy with compasses and tracing-paper."

"About the place were scattered in elegant confusion several of his recent masterpieces. From the subsequent conversation we were in a position to make it known that in future this refined and versatile person will confine himself entirely to illustrations of processions, funerals, armies on the march, persons pursued by others, and kindred subjects which appeal strongly to his imagination."

"Kin Yen has severe emotions on the subject of individuality in art and does not hesitate to express himself forcibly with reference to those who are content to degrade the names of their ancestors by turning out what he wittily describes as 'so much of varied mediocrity.'"

The prominence obtained by this pleasantly-composed notice—for it was copied by others who were unaware of the circumstance of its origin—had the desired effect. In future, when one of those who sit in easy chairs wished for a picture after the kind mentioned, he would say to his lesser one: "Oh, send to the graceful and versatile Kin Yen; he becomes inspired on the subject of funerals," or persons escaping from prison, or families walking to the temple, or whatever it might be.

In that way this narrow-minded and illiterate person was soon both looked at and rich, so that it was his daily practice to be carried, in silk garments, past the houses of those who had known him in poverty, and on these occasions he would puff out his cheeks and pull his moustaches, looking fiercely from side to side.

True are the words written in the elegant and distinguished Book of Verses, "Beware lest when being kissed by the all-seeing Emperor, you step upon the elusive banana-peel." It was at the height of eminence in this altogether degraded person's career that he encountered the being who led him on to his present altogether too lamentable condition. Tien Nung is the earthly name by which is known she who combines all the most illustrious attributes which have been possessed of women since the days of the divine Fou-Hy. Her father is a person of very gross habits, and lives by selling inferior merchandise covered with some of good quality. Upon past occasions, when under the direct influence of Tien, and in the hope of gaining some money benefit, this person may have spoken of him in terms of praise, and may even have recommended friends to entrust articles of value to him, or to procure goods on his advice.

Now, however, he records it as his unalterable decision that the father of Tien Nung is by profession a person who obtains goods by stratagem, and that, moreover, it is impossible to gain an advantage over him on matters of exchange.

The events that have happened prove the deep wisdom of Li Fen when he exclaimed, "The wisest of pigeons, no matter how excellent in the silk-hung chamber, is not to be followed on the field of battle." Tien herself was all that the most exacting of persons could demand, but her opinions on the subject of picture-making were not formed by heavy thought, and it would have been well if this had been borne in mind by this person.

One morning he chanced to meet her while carrying open in his hands four sets of printed leaves containing his pictures. "I have observed," said Tien, after the usual ceremonial had been exchanged, "that the renowned Kin Yen, who is the object of the keenest envy among his brother picture-

makers, so little regards the sacredness of his accomplished art that never by any chance does he depict persons of the very highest excellence. Let not the words of an impetuous maiden disarrange his digressing organs if they should seem too bold to the high-souled Kin Yen, but this matter has, since she has known him, troubled the eyelids of Tien."

"Here," she continued, taking from this person's hands one of the printed leaves which he was carrying, "in this illustration of persons returning from extinguishing a fire, is there one who appears to all that is intellectual and competitive within one? Can it be that the immaculate Kin Yen is unacquainted with the subtle distinctions between the really select and the vastly ordinary?"

"Can the most refined lack of vanity hide from you the fact that your own person is infinitely rounder than this of the evilly-intentioned-

looking individual with the opium pipe? O blind Kin Yen!"

Here she fled in honourable confusion, leaving this person standing in the street astounded, and a prey to the most distinguished emotions of a complicated nature.

"Oh, Tien," he cried at length, "inspired by those bright eyes, narrower than the most select of the three thousand and one possessed by the sublime Buddha, the almost fallen Kin Yen will yet prove himself worthy of your esteemed consideration. He will, without delay, learn to draw two new living persons, and will incorporate in them the likenesses which you have suggested."

Returning swiftly to his abode, he therefore inscribed and dispatched this letter, in proof of his resolve. "To the Heaven-sent human chrysanthemum, in whose body reside the Celestial Principles and the imprisoned colours of the rainbow."

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The Ill-Regulated Destiny Of Kin Yen

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worthy to blacken.
"When Kin Yen has been entrusted with a story which contains a being in some degree reflecting the character of Tien, he will embellish it with her irreproachable profile and come to hear her words. Till then he bids her farewell."

From that moment most of this person's time was necessarily spent in learning to draw the two new characters, and in consequence of this he lost much work, and indeed the greater part of the connection which he had been at such pains to form gradually slipped away from him. Many months passed before he was competent to reproduce persons resembling Tien and himself, for in this he was unassisted by Tien Lin and his progress was slow.

At length being satisfied, he called upon the least fierce of those who sit in easy-chairs, and requested that he might be entrusted with a story for picture-making.

"We should have been covered with honourable joy to set in operation the brush of the inspired Kin Yen," replied the other with agreeable condescension; "only at the moment it does not seem to us that we have before us any chance that we have before us any chance in which to begin, or beggars being driven from the city, form the chief in-

cidents. Perhaps if the polished Kin Yen should happen to be passing this ill-constructed office in about six months' time—

"The brush of Kin Yen will never again depict funerals, or labourers arranging themselves to receive pay or similar subjects," exclaimed this person impulsively, "for, as it is well said, 'The lightning discovers objects which the paper lantern fails to reveal.' In future none but takes dealing with the most distinguished persons shall have his attention."
"If this be the true word of the dignified Kin Yen, it is possible that we may be able to animate his inspired faculties," was the response.
"But in that case, as a new style must be in the nature of an experiment, and as our public has come to regard Kin Yen as the great exponent of Art Facing in One Direction, we cannot continue the exceedingly liberal payment with which we have been accustomed to reward his elegant exertions."

"Provided the story be suitable, that is a matter of less importance," replied this person.

"The story," said the one in the easy-chair, "is by the refined Tong-king, and it treats of the high-minded and conscientious doubts of one who would become a priest of Fo. When preparing for this distinguished office he discovers within himself leanings towards the religion of Lao-Tse. His illustrious scruples are enhanced by his affection for the story."

"And the ending?" inquired this person, for it was desirable that the two should marry happily.

"The inevitable stories of Tong-king never have any real ending, and this one, being in his most elevated style, has even less end than most of them. But the whole narrative is permeated with the odour of joss-sticks and honourable high-mindedness, and the two characters are both of noble birth."

As it might be some time before another story so suitable should be offered, or one which would afford so good an opportunity of waiting in the office, and of displaying her incomparable outline in dignified and magnanimous attitudes, this was eagerly accepted, and for the next week this obscure person spent all his days and nights in picturing the lovely Tien and his debased self in the characters of the nobly-born young priest of Fo and Wu Ping.

The pictures finished, he caused them to be carefully conveyed to the office, and then, sitting down, spent many hours in composing the following letter, to be sent to Tien, accompanying a copy of the printed drawings wherein the story and his drawings should appear:

"When the light has for a period been hidden from a person, it is no uncommon thing for him to be struck blind on gazing at the sun; therefore, if the sublime Tien values the eyes of Kin Yen, let her hide herself behind a gauze screen on his approach."

"The trembling words of Tien have sunk deep into the inside of Kin Yen and become part of his being. Never again can he depict persons of the quality and in the position he was wont to do."
"With this he sends his latest efforts. In each case he conceives his drawings to be the picture of the written words; in the noble Tien's case it is undoubtedly so, in his own he aspires to it. Doubtless the unobtrusive Tien would make no claim to the character and manner of behaving of the one in the story, yet Kin Yen confidently asserts that she is to the other as the glove is to the hand, and he is filled with the most intelligent delight at being able to exhibit her in her true robes, who see her, in spite of her dignified protests, Kin Yen hopes; he will come this evening after sunset."

The week which passed between the finishing of the pictures and the appearance of the eminent printed leaves containing them was the longest in this near-sighted person's ill-spent life.

But at length the day arrived, and going with exceedingly mean haste to the place of sale, he purchased a copy and sent it, together with the letter of his honourable intention, on which he had bestowed so much care, to Tien.

Not till then did it occur to this inconsiderate one that the impulsiveness of his action was ill-judged; for might it not be that the pictures were evilly printed, or that the delicate and fragrant words painting the character of the one who now bore the features of Tien had undergone some change?

To satisfy himself, scarce as tael had become with him, he purchased another copy.

The person who is here endeavouring to bring this badly-constructed account of his dishonourable career to a close pondered these for some moments after twice glancing through the matter in the printed leaves, and then, finding the faculties of speech and movement restored to him, procured a two-edged knife of distinguished brilliance and went forth to call upon the one who sits in an easy-chair.

"Behold," said the lesser one, indiscreetly stepping in between this person and the inner door, "my intellectual and all-knowing chief is not here to-day. May his entirely insufficient substitute offer words of congratulation to the inspired Kin Yen on his effective and striking pictures in this week's issue?"

"His altogether insufficient substitute," answered this person, with difficulty mastering his great rage, "may and shall offer words of explanation to the inspired Kin Yen, setting forth the reasons of his pictures being used, not with the high-minded story, but with the high-minded and ungrammatical words written by Kin-hi, the Pekin remover of gravity—words which will evermore brand the dew-like Tien as

a person of light speech and no refinement; and in his story this person struck the inquired table several times with his elegant knife.

"O Kin Yen," exclaimed the lesser one, "this matter rests not here. It is a thing beyond the sphere of the individual who is addressing you. All he can tell is that the graceful Tong-king withdrew his exceedingly tedious story for some reason at the final moment, and as your eminent drawings had been paid for, my chief of the inner office decided to use them with this story of Kin-hi. But surely it cannot be that there is aught in the story to displease your illustrious personality?"

"Judge for yourself," this person said, "that understanding that the two immaculate characters figuring the personages of the narrative are exact copies of this dishonoured person himself and of the willow-wen, daughter of the vastly rich Pei-lin-Chen, whom he was hopeful of marrying."

Selecting one of the least offensive of the passages in the work, this unhappy person read the following immature and inelegant words:

"This well-satisfied writer of printed leaves had a highly-distinguished time last night. After Chow had departed to see about food, and the junk had been fastened up at the lock of Kiang, on the Yang-tse-Kiang, he and the round-bodied Shang were journeying along the narrow path by the river-side when the right leg of the graceful and popular person who is narrating these events disappeared into the river."

"Suffering no apprehension in the dark but that the vanishing limb was the left leg of Shang, this intelligent writer allowed his impassive style, his even less end than most of them, but at that moment the circumstance became a round-bodied Shang, who was in constant sequence very grossly amused at the mishap and misapprehension of your good lord, the writer, at the same time pointing out the matter as it really was."

"Then it chanced that there came by one of the maidens who carry tea and jest for small sums of money to the slither at the little tables with the white tops, at which this remarkable person, the confident of many mandarins, ever desirous of displaying his priceless power of removing gravity, said to her:

"How much of gladness, Ning-Ning? By the Sacred Serpent this is plainly your night out."

"Recalling the true facts of the predicament of this commendable writer, she replied:

"Suffer not your illustrious nightfall to be removed, venerable Wang; for in this maiden's estimation it is indeed your night in."

Here the remark of the omniscient Tien Leo again fixes itself upon the attention. No sooner had this incapable person reached his house than he became aware that a parcel had arrived for him from the still adorable Tien. Retiring to a distance from it, he opened the accompanying letter and read:

"When a virtuous maiden has been made the victim of a heartless jest or a piece of coarse stupidity at a person's hands, it is no uncommon thing for him to be struck blind on meeting her father. Therefore, if the degraded and evil-minded Kin Yen values his eyes, ears, nose, pigtail, even his dishonourable breath, let him hide himself behind a fortified wall at Pei-lin-Chen's approach."

"With this Tien returns everything she has ever accepted from Kin Yen. She even includes the brace of puppets which she received anonymously about a month ago, and which she did not eat, but kept for reasons of her own, reasons entirely unconnected with the rapid and exceedingly conceited Kin Yen."

As though this letter, and the puppets of which this person now heard for the first time, making him aware of the existence of a rival lover, were not enough, there almost immediately arrived a letter from Tien's father:

"This person has taken the advice of those skilled in extorting money by means of law forms and he finds that Kin Yen has been guilty of a grave and highly expensive act. This is increased by the fact that Tien had conveyed his seemingly distinguished intentions to all her friends, before whom she now stands in an exceedingly ungraceful attitude. The machinery for depriving Kin Yen of all the necessities of existence shall be put into operation at once."

At this point, the person who is now concluding his having spent his last piece of money on joss-sticks and incense-paper, and being convinced of the presence of the spirits of his ancestors, is inspired to make the following prophecies. The Tien Lin, who imposed upon him in the matter of picture-leaching, shall come to a sudden end, accompanied by great internal pains, after suffering extreme poverty; that the other, who sits in an easy-chair, together with his lesser one and all who make stories for them, shall, while sailing to a rice feast during the Festival of Flowers, be precipitated into the water and slowly devoured by sea monsters. Kin-hi in particular being tortured in the process; that Pei-lin-Chen, the father of Tien, shall be seized with the dancing sickness when in the presence of the august Emperor, and being in consequence suspected of treachery, shall, to prove the truth of his denials, be submitted to the tests of boiling tar, red-hot swords, and of being dropped from a great height on to the Sacred Stone of Goodness and Badness, in each of which he shall fail to convince his judges or to establish his innocence, to the amusement of all beholders.

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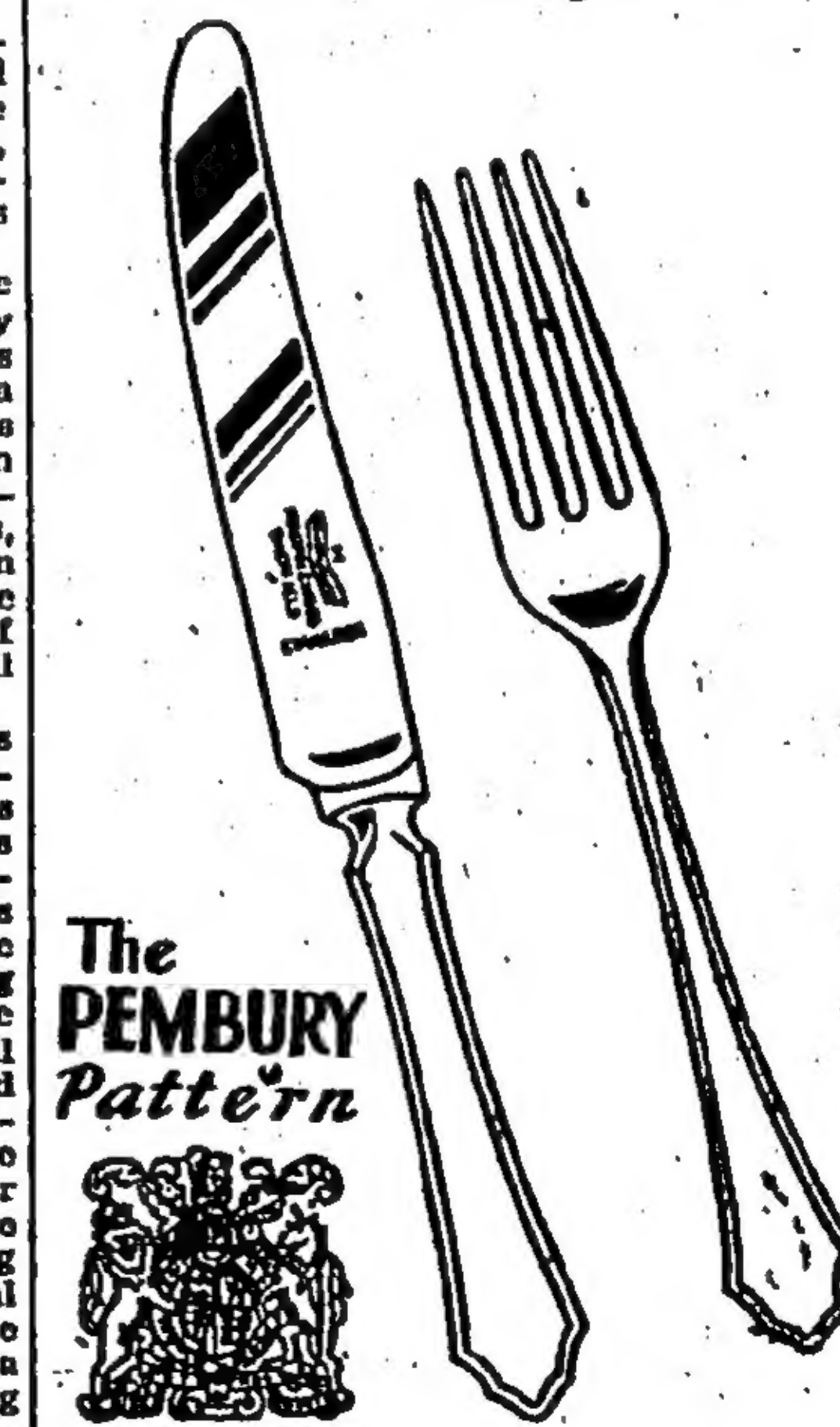
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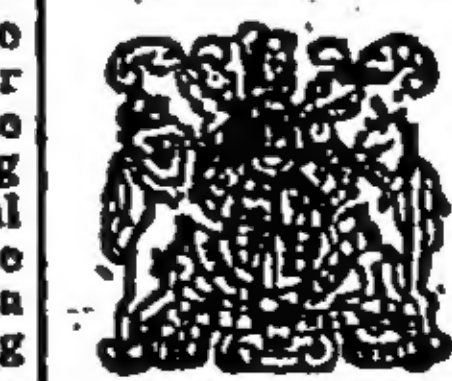
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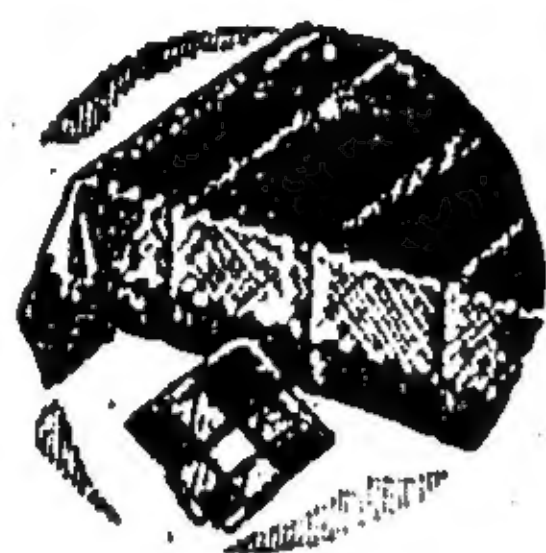
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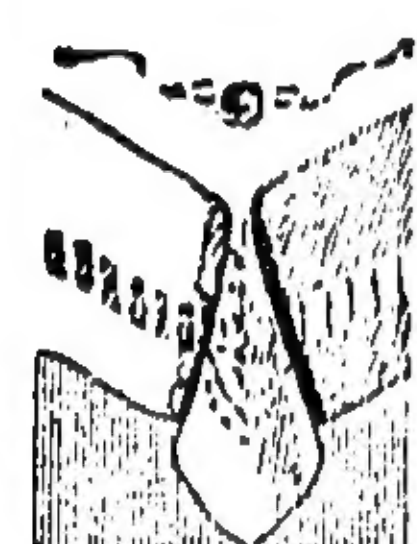
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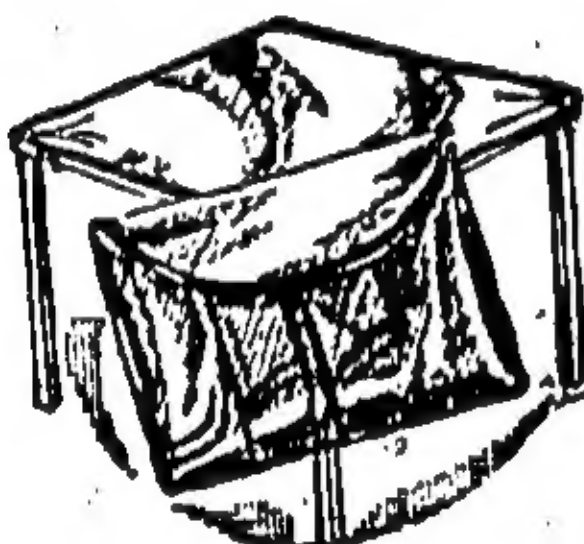
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THE AMAZING FINNS Now Trying To Cut Soviet Railway Lines SOME SOVIET GAINS ADMITTED

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
THE AMAZING RESISTANCE OF THE FINNS CON-
TINUES, AND THEY ARE NOW TRYING TO
INTERRUPT RUSSIAN COMMUNICATIONS
WITH THE KARELIAN Isthmus.
Finnish planes, with this object in view, have bombed
the railway to Leningrad, and a number of stations
on the line have been set on fire.
Indicating the importance of this move is the fact that
the Russians cannot keep up the offensive without a
continuous flow of supplies and reinforcements.

The roads from Russia to the
Karelian Isthmus are already over-
crowded.

The Russians are still relying on
sheer weight of numbers, but, in
spite of some progress, they have
not yet broken the Mannerheim Line
and have only taken a few defensive
positions.

Proof of this is seen in the Rus-
sian communiques which make no
mention of advances of thousands
of yards.
Many of the captured positions are
now under flanking fire from the
Finns.

STOCKHOLM FEARS

In Stockholm, it is reported that
500 Red planes bombed Finland, and
the position is regarded in the Swe-
dish capital as serious.

Though the main attacks are at
Summa and Taipale, the whole of
the Mannerheim Line is now engaged
in a continuous battle.—Reuter.

Great Pall Of Smoke Over Isthmus

Helsinki, Yesterday.
A great pall of smoke and fire
to-day was spread over the
Summa front.

Eye-witnesses report that the Finns
holding the Mannerheim Line
can in places hardly see any-
thing of the Russian troops. They
can only hear the cries of advanc-
ing men through the smoke and din
of battle.

During each preliminary bom-
bardment the Finns take refuge
in deep dug-outs built of con-
crete and heavy timber.

In some instances the Finns have
deliberately allowed Russian tanks
to penetrate the Mannerheim Line
before opening fire and destroying
the tanks.

The furthest point reached by
the Russians in the Mannerheim
Line at any time is believed to
be about five miles from the out-
side edge of the line. The line
varies in depth from about 10
to 20 miles.
The pilots of Finnish fighting and
bombing planes are constantly in
action.—Reuter.

NOT CATASTROPHIC

Helsinki, Yesterday.
While it is admitted here that the
situation on the Karelian Isthmus is
serious, the mere withdrawal from
the Mannerheim Line outposts is
not considered catastrophic.—Reuter.

Russian Gains

Helsinki, Yesterday.
The new Russian successes on the
Isthmus were mainly at the western
end of the Mannerheim Line, be-
tween the Gulf of Finland and the
lakes.

Giving details of the Finnish suc-
cesses north-east of Lake Ladoga, a
communique says that several Rus-
sian columns and 180 sledges were
dispersed on the ice and remnants of
ski detachments wiped out.—Reuter.

Further Retreat Admitted

Helsinki, Yesterday.
This afternoon's Finnish communi-
que admits a further withdrawal to
new positions in the Mannerheim
Line.

The communique, however, claims
an immense victory at Kuhmo,
north-east of Lake Ladoga, where it
says the Russians lost 1,800 dead and
three battalions were destroyed.—
Reuter.

"NOTHING TO REPORT"

Paris, Yesterday.
This morning's communique says
there is nothing to report.—Reuter.

SWEDISH PRESS CONDEMNS REFUSAL OF AID TO FINNS

STOCKHOLM, YESTERDAY.
"IT IS INTOLERABLE THAT AFFAIRS SHOULD BE
ALLOWED TO CONTINUE IN THIS MANNER,"
DECLARES THE STOCKHOLM "TIDNINGEN,"
CRITICISING THE PRIME MINISTER'S RE-
FUSAL OF MILITARY AID FOR FINLAND.
The newspaper adds: "Sweden could, for instance, send
soldiers in the form of such an extension of the vol-
unteer movement that Swedish military detach-
ments were sent over to take part in the fight for
Scandinavian freedom."

The "Svenska Dagbladet" de-
plores the fact that there was no in-
dication in the communique of Gov-
ernment intention rapidly to pro-
mote and stimulate the volunteer
movement in every way possible.
The newspaper states: "It is such
Government action that Swedish
public opinion strongly demands."
FINLAND DISAPPOINTMENT
Meanwhile, in Helsinki, Sweden's
refusal of military aid has aroused
anxiety and disappointment.

Although Finnish political circles
admit it is desirable, Scandinavia's
very existence is now at stake. It is
felt that Scandinavia should give the
world an example of what united
action can achieve.

The Swedish ban on the passage
of foreign troops through Sweden
apparently does not apply to the
passage of volunteers who are not
regular units of foreign powers, or
of supplies.—Reuter.

"No Change In Policy"

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")
Stockholm, Yesterday.
Stating that "no changes have oc-
curred in Sweden's viewpoint since
January 17," when he proclaimed the
country's neutrality in the Russo-
Finnish war, the Premier, Mr.
Hannson, revealed that the Finnish
Minister, Mr. Tanner, on Feb. 13
formally requested Sweden to trans-
fer military units to Finland.

On several other occasions the
Swedish Government has received
from Finland requests for supplies
of foodstuffs and also for attending
to wounded and mutilated Finnish
soldiers, and the transfer of Swedish
workers to Finland.

"These requests generally were
satisfied," the Premier added.—
Havas.

WARNING NOTE SOUNDED

Stockholm, Yesterday.
While the Swedish Gov-
ernment has informed Fin-
land it cannot do more for
that country beyond what it
is doing now, unofficially
help continues on a wider
scale, and the press is strik-
ing a warning note, pointing
out the dangers of a Soviet
victory.

For instance, the Liberal news-
paper "Stockholms-Tidningen" con-
sidered the situation at sea in the
event of a Soviet victory. Sweden,
says the paper, must give effective
help to Finland or else run the risk
of being drawn into the war by re-
maining neutral.

PROTECTION OF ALL SHIPPING

London, Yesterday.
The Admiralty announced to-
day that all British ships, before
leaving any port in the United
Kingdom, must provide protec-
tion for personnel exposed to
machinegun fire from German
aircraft.
The order comes into force
forthwith.—Reuter.

NAVY IN ACTION

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ing in the North Sea off the coast
of Norway.

The reports state that a German
vessel, reported to be a cruiser,
has either been sunk or gone
ashore.—Reuter.

The reports possibly have some
connection with the affair of the
Altmark, which is now aground.

Admiralty Statement

The Admiralty communique
states—"It will be remembered that
the Graf Spee sank seven British
merchant ships in the South Atlan-
tic before Christmas. The officers
were made prisoners on board the
pocket-battleship and were toler-
ably treated. The seamen, on the
other hand, were confined in the
Altmark, an auxiliary of the Ger-
man Fleet, which, according to re-
ports of the British prisoners liber-
ated from the Graf Spee was armed
with concealed guns.

"Between three and four hundred
British merchant seamen were held
prisoners in this vessel and upon
the evidence of those transferred to
the Graf Spee and later rescued,
grievous hardships and severities
were inflicted upon them.

VANISHED

"Since then the Altmark vanished
from the seas and no trace of her
could be found until it appeared on
February 16th that she was moving
down the Norwegian coast taking ad-
vantage of its peculiar configuration
and endeavouring to convey these
three or four hundred British mer-
chant seamen captives through Nor-
wegian territorial waters to confine-
ment in Germany.

"Accordingly, certain of H.M. ships
which were conveniently disposed,
were set in motion and certain air-
craft reconnaissances were made as
the result of which a vessel bearing
the name of "Altmark" and con-
forming in every respect to her de-
scription, yesterday afternoon took
refuge in the Norwegian fjord of
Josing after having been sighted by
coastal reconnaissance aircraft and
intercepted by H.M.S. Intrepid.

ORDERS GIVEN

"Orders were given by the Admi-
rality, with the full authority of H.M.
Government, to enter neutral waters,
search the Altmark, and rescue
any prisoners it found on board.

"Josing fjord has a dead end and
two Norwegian gunboats appeared
at its mouth. The British comman-
der, Captain F. L. Vian, (H.M.S.
Cossack) was instructed to offer to
place a joint British and Norwegian
guard upon the ship and to escort it,
with British and Norwegian warships,
to Bergen where a search could be
conducted and the whole matter in-
vestigated according to international
law.

"This offer was not accepted.
"The Captain of the Norwegian
gunboat stated that the ship was un-
armed, that he knew nothing about
any prisoners on board, that she had
been examined at Bergen the day
before and had received permission
to use Norwegian territorial waters
on her passage to Germany.

REMAINED PASSIVE

"Upon these assurances, the Brit-
ish destroyer force withdrew from
territorial waters, but, after dark, on
receipt of Admiralty orders, the
destroyer Cossack with the British
commander on board re-entered the
fjord. The Norwegian gunboats re-
fused co-operation in the search but
remained passive.

"The Altmark was manoeuvred so
as to try to sink the Cossack as she
prepared to board. In doing so, the
Altmark ran aground stern first and
Cossack came alongside her and
boarded her. Fighting followed in
which, according to a wireless mes-
sage from Altmark, four Germans
were killed and five seriously wound-
ed. One British casualty was sus-
tained. The Altmark was over-
powered, part of her crew fled to
shore and the rest submitted.

SIGNALS UNHEEDED

"Between three and four hundred
British prisoners who had been bat-
tled down below were now found,
rescued and taken on board Cossack
which, with other British vessels in
company, is now approaching British
shores. The liberated prisoners
state that during the Norwegian ex-
amination at Bergen their efforts to

MEDIATION RUMOURS REVIVED

Stockholm, Yesterday.
The view is gaining ground in
Berlin, says the Berlin corres-
pondent of the "Dagbla-
dets Nyheter," that Germany will
shortly make proposals regard-
ing mediation in the Russo-
Finnish war.

The correspondent thinks it is
no mere chance that the Ger-
man Ambassador in Moscow
and the German Minister in
Helsinki visited Berlin simulta-
neously.

Meanwhile, says a Helsinki
despatch, the German Minister
has returned to the Finnish
capital from Berlin.—Reuter.

AMBULANCE PLANE DISASTER

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Hanoi, Yesterday.
One was killed and two
are missing following the
crash of an ambulance aéro-
plane along the coast while
on a mission of mercy.

The plane left its base in Tonkin
three days ago upon receiving an
urgent appeal for medical help from
Mongai, on the Chinese border.

Adjutant Desert, an unnamed
pilot and Chief Adjutant Rajad
were on board. The latter was
the only body found when the
gunboat Touraine discovered the
wreckage of the plane.

Last wireless report received from
the machine was dated Feb. 13 and
reported bad weather along the
coast.—Havas.

BRITISH TRADE RISE

London, Yesterday.
The return of British overseas
trade for January shows imports
valued at £104,961,147 as compared
with £80,882,440 in December and
£75,571,817 in January last year;
exports valued at £41,073,574 as
compared with £40,108,628 in Dec-
ember and £39,479,598 in January
of last year; re-exports valued at
£3,097,413 as against £2,501,577 in
December and £4,595,993 in January
of last year.—British Wireless.

STOP PRESS

Olo, Yesterday.
The Norwegian Premier to-day
conferred with the British Min-
ister on the Altmark affair, and
emphasised the indignation felt
by the Norwegian Government.

The German Government,
meanwhile, has protested indig-
nantly to Norway against "this
act of violence" and "an un-
heard of violation of interna-
tional law," a protest which over-
looks the sinkings by their
U-boats of British vessels in
Norwegian waters.—Reuter.

London, Yesterday.
The British prisoners from the
Altmark were driven from the
quay in a fleet of ambulances
and motor-coaches amid the
cheers of a great crowd which
could be heard a mile away.—
Reuter.

make their presence known to the
searching party were unheeded.
A full report has been called for
both from Captain Vian whose con-
duct has been highly commended and
from the freed prisoners upon all
the circumstances.

"In the early part of these pro-
ceedings, one German tanker, Balder,
passing by, outside territorial waters,
was summoned to stop by the des-
troyer, Ivanhoe, and thereupon scut-
tled herself in German fashion.—
British Wireless.

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